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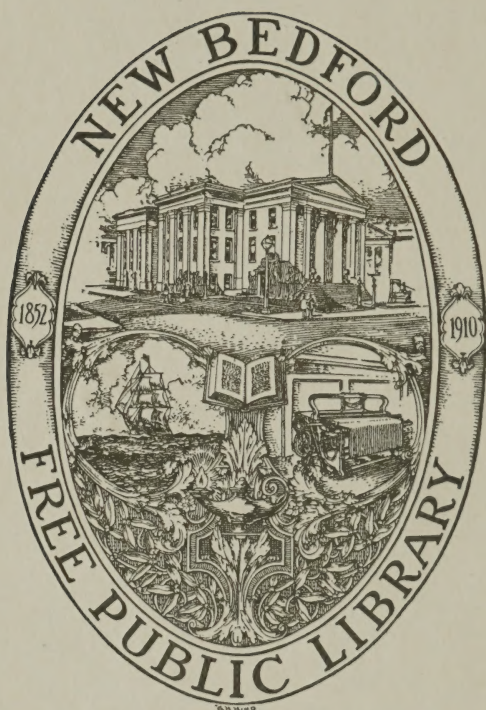
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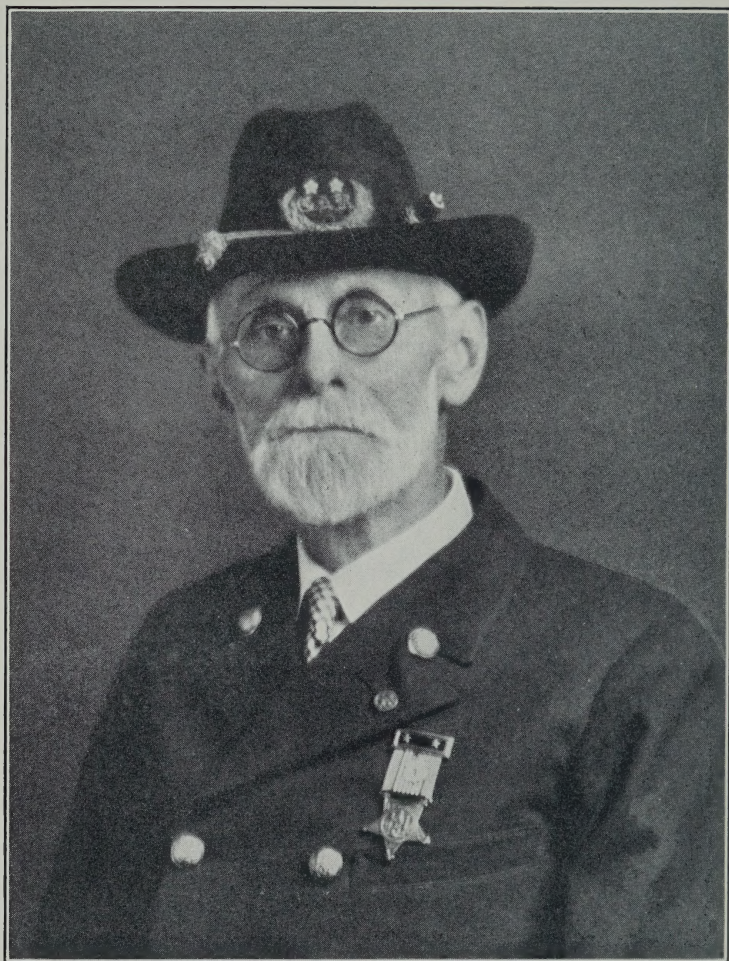


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JAMES H. WEBB
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER
1929 — 1930

Sixty-fourth Annual Encampment

DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

FANEUIL HALL, BOSTON

APRIL 8, 1930

ADDRESS OF

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER JAMES H. WEBB

AND

REPORTS OF OTHER OFFICERS



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OF THE

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Department of Massachusetts

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

FANEUIL HALL, BOSTON, April 8-9, 1930.

Pursuant to General Orders from Headquarters about 240 comrades convened April 8, 1930, to "carry on" at the sixty-fourth annual encampment.

Guard duty was efficiently performed by a detail from John A. Andrew Post 15 of Boston, in charge of David King, who officiated as Officer of the Day, assisted by Comrades Eldredge, Sweeney and Driscoll and Comrade Shattuck, Boston Post 200.

Assistant Adjutant-General Wilfred A. Wetherbee called the comrades to "attention" while the Officers of the Department were escorted with due formality to the platform.

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Comrades, I present the Commander of this Department. Comrade Webb, I have the honor to turn this gavel over to you."

Commander James H. Webb: "This is a regular meeting of the sixty-fourth encampment of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic. Officer of the Day, are the approaches to this hall properly guarded?"

Officer of the Day: "They are."

Commander: "Are all present members of the Grand Army of the Republic?"

Officer of the Day: "Commander, they are."

Commander: "Are the officers present and in their proper stations?"

Officer of the Day: "They are." (All stand.)

Commander: "Comrades, we are assembled for the transaction of such business as may come before this encampment. We meet in fraternity, charity and loyalty, and may all our hearts unite as one in sustaining the great and worthy objects of our association. The Chaplain will now invoke the Divine blessing. Parade rest!"

Chaplain Rev. George W. Nead, Post 189: "Just a moment of silence, comrades, in memory of our departed comrades. (Silence.)"

"O God, our Heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being, who givest us everything richly to enjoy, we thank Thee for this another Department Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. Thou hast brought us safely through another year, and we thank Thee for our life and our strength which Thou hast given to us.

"God bless this Department, we pray Thee, and as we transact the business of the hour may unity and harmony prevail in all our deliberations. God bless the Grand Army of the Republic, and we thank Thee that Thou hast given health and vigor to our Commander-in-Chief and to our Department Commander and to all who assisted them in the performance of their duties, and that they have done it so efficiently.

"O God, we pray Thee to bless all the orders that are allied with us as they meet today in different parts of this city; prosper and bless them, we pray Thee, in all their efforts. And we pray for the dear Nurse, the only one left of all those who rendered and gave to us their angelic ministrations in the hour of dire necessity.

We thank Thee for them, and we pray that Thou wilt bless this one and comfort her and prolong her life if in accordance with Thy will; and if not, that she may be able to declare: 'though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.'

"And we pray Thee, O God, that Thou wilt continue to bless our country; we thank Thee for its growth, its prosperity, and its greatness among the nations of the earth. Bless the President of these United States and all associated with him; bless the Governor of this Commonwealth and the Mayor of this city; and we pray Thee that all that is done in this tercentenary year may be blessed of God and make for the welfare and prosperity of the State.

"O God, we pray Thee that Thou wilt take care of us during our remaining years; bless us and make us realize that all our help comes from Thee. And when the lights fail and our marches end, when all our battles are fought and victories won, may we come off conquerors — yea, more than conquerors — through Him who has loved us and redeemed us. We ask all things in His name. Amen!"

Commander: "Attention, comrades! I now declare the sixty-fourth encampment of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, open and ready for business."

ROLL OF ENCAMPMENT

(Comrades whose names are preceded by an asterisk [*] were present.)

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

<i>Commander</i>	*JAMES H. WEBB
<i>Senior Vice-Commander</i>	*ALVIN C. HOWES
<i>Junior Vice-Commander</i>	*WALDO TURNER
<i>Medical Director</i>	*JOHN GILBERT
<i>Chaplain</i>	*Rev. GEORGE W. NEAD

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

*CHARLES L. ROBINSON
LEONARD BOYD

*HENRI BATCHELDER
*FREDERICK H. BISHOP

WALTER SWAN

OFFICIAL STAFF

<i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i>	*WILFRED A. WETHERBEE
<i>Assistant Quartermaster-General</i>	*EDWIN F. MORRILL
<i>Judge Advocate</i>	*JOHN A. BRACKETT
<i>Inspector</i>	*JOHN R. SEARS
<i>Chief Mustering Officer</i>	*GEORGE W. GREEN
<i>Patriotic Instructor</i>	*WALTER S. PARKER
<i>Chief of Staff</i>	*JAMES S. MITCHELL
<i>Headquarters Clerk</i>	*HELEN A. PHINNEY

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

*JOHN D. BILLINGS
*WILFRED A. WETHERBEE
*GEORGE A. HOSLEY
*ALFRED H. KNOWLES
GEORGE W. WILDER
*HORACE GOODWIN

*EDWIN F. MORRILL
HENRY CLARK
*BENJAMIN A. HAM
*HENRY N. COMEY
*HENRY A. MONK
*EDWIN J. FOSTER

P O S T S**Wm. Logan Rodman Post 1, New Bedford**

Commander, *Nahum F. Nickelson
Members present, 2

Dahlgren Post 2, South Boston

Commander, *Benjamin A. Ham
Members present, 3

William H. Bartlett Post 3, Taunton

Commander, *Oscar A. Hillard
Members present, 4

U. S. Grant Post 4, Melrose

Commander, *Charles L. Robinson
Members present, 2

General Lander Post 5, Lynn

Commander, *William F. Dodge
Members present, 6

Charles Russell Lowell Post 7, Boston

Commander, *Joseph Brown
Members present, 1

E. W. Pierce Post 8, Middleborough

Commander, *Alvin C. Howes
Members present, 1

Reno Post 9, Hudson

Commander, *George W. W. Edson
Members present, 0

George H. Ward Post 10, Worcester

Commander, *Joseph A. Cleveland
Members present, 5

Abraham Lincoln Post 11, Charlestown

Commander, *Joseph F. Stoddard
Members present, 2

Horace M. Warren Post 12, Wakefield

Commander, Benjamin I. Day
Members present, 2

Fletcher Webster Post 13, Brockton

Commander, Andrew C. Gibbs
Members present, 0

C. C. Phillips Post 14, Hopkinton

Commander, *Edwin A. Newton
Members present, 1

John A. Andrew Post 15, Boston

Commander, Charles Corbin
Members present, 5

E. K. Wilcox Post 16, Springfield

Commander, Edwin S. Witherell
Members present, 2

General Sedgwick Post 17, Orange

Commander, Edward Baker
Members present, 0

Edwin V. Sumner Post 19, Fitchburg

Commander, *Charles G. Hayes
Members present, 2

Frederick Hecker Post 21, Boston

Commander, *Henry Bornstein
Members present, 0

Maj. E. F. Fletcher Post 22, Milford

Commander, *William Callahan
Members present, 0

Thomas G. Stevenson Post 26, Roxbury

Commander, *James F. Flynn
Members present, 3

F. P. H. Rogers Post 29, Waltham

Commander, *Samuel E. Clark
Members present, 2

Wm. H. Smart Post 30, Cambridge

Commander, Charles McHugh
Members present, 2

George W. Perry Post 31, Scituate

Commander, Edmund F. Merritt
Members present, 0

Burbank Post 33, Woburn

Commander, W. C. C. Colgate
Members present, 0

Phil H. Sheridan Post 34, Salem

Commander, *Isaac D. Baker
Members present, 3

Theodore Winthrop Post 35, Chelsea

Commander, Marcellus A. Purbeck
Members present, 3

Francis Gould Post 36, Arlington

Commander, George H. Averill
Members present, 2

Dexter Post 38, Brookfield

Commander, Charles F. Mullett
Members present, 0

Needham Post 39, Lawrence

Commander, James Morgan
Members present, 0

Gen. H. G. Berry Post 40, Malden

Commander, Roscoe G. Bean
Members present, 1

Lyon Post 41, Westfield

Commander, Andrew L. Bush
Members present, 0

B. F. Butler Post 42, Lowell

Commander, *Thomas Crowley
Members present, 1

John A. Rawlins Post 43, Marlborough

Commander, George H. Brigham
Members present, 1

Colonel Allen Post 45, Gloucester

Commander, William H. Marston
Members present, 0

Richard Borden Post 46, Fall River

Commander, *John Gilbert
Members present, 4

Major How Post 47, Haverhill

Commander, Charles O. Kelly
Members present, 0

George L. Boutwell Post 48, Ayer

Commander, *Hiram S. Clark
Members present, 0

A. W. Bartlett Post 49, Newburyport

Commander, William C. Cuseck
Members present, 4

Union Post 50, Peabody

Commander, Franklin Larrabee
Members present, 0

Charles H. Stevens Post 53, Leominster

Commander, Frank Bourne
Members present, 2

Charles Beck Post 56, Cambridge

Commander, *Francis J. O'Reilly
Members present, 0

Reynolds Post 58, East Weymouth

Commander, *David Dunbar
Members present, 4

Franklin Post 60, Franklin

Commander, Albert J. Newell
Members present, 1

Nathaniel Lyon Post 61, Webster

Commander, Elias B. Wakefield
Members present, 0

Charles Ward Post 62, Newtonville

Commander, William M. Mick
Members present, 7

General Wadsworth Post 63, Natick

Commander, *George B. Howe
Members present, 2

E. D. Baker Post 64, Clinton

Commander, O. L. Martin
Members present, 0

S. C. Lawrence Post 66, Medford

Commander, George L. Stokell
Members present, 0

Benj. Stone, Jr., Post 68, Dorchester

Commander, *Wallace Kenney
Members present, 2

George A. Custer Post 70, Millbury

Commander, Henry W. Davidson
Members present, 2

Kilpatrick Post 71, Holyoke

Commander, *William H. Abbott
Members present, 1

A. St. John Chambre Post 72, Stoughton

Commander, *James McElroy
Members present, 0

McPherson Post 73, Abington

Commander, *John F. Hatch
Members present, 1

Hartsuff Post 74, Rockland

Commander, *Joshua S. Gray
Members present, 3

J. P. Gould Post 75, Stoneham

Commander, Peter H. Horne
Members present, 0

Collingwood Post 76, Plymouth

Commander, *George A. Burgess
Members present, 0

Theron E. Hall Post 77, Holden

Commander, Charles E. Farrar
Members present, 0

David A. Russell Post 78, Whitman

Commander, *Charles L. Jones
Members present, 4

Charles D. Sanford Post 79, North Adams

Commander, *Alfred A. Lee
Members present, 1

Arthur G. Biscoe Post 80, Westborough

Commander, John W. Fairbanks
Members present, 0

SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Isaac B. Patten Post 81, Watertown

Commander, Ozra M. Whittier
Members present, 0

John Goodwin, Jr., Post 82, Marblehead

Commander, Albert F. Morris
Members present, 0

W. L. Baker Post 86, Northampton

Commander, William R. Bardwell
Members present, 0

Gen. S. Thayer Post 87, South Braintree

Commander, *Henry A. Monk
Members present, 0

Paul J. Revere Post 88, Quincy

Commander, *Charles A. Brown
Members present, 3

J. H. Chipman, Jr., Post 89, Beverly

Commander, William H. Morgan
Members present, 3

Ward Post 90, Danvers

Commander, *Alonzo A. Rackliff
Members present, 1

Francis Washburn Post 92, Brighton

Commander, *James A. Sawyer
Members present, 0

Ozro Miller Post 93, Shelburne Falls

Commander, George A. Jones
Members present, 0

Gen. E. W. Hincks Post 95, Saugus

Commander, Joseph Newhall
Members present, 0

Gen. W. F. Bartlett Post 99, Andover

Commander, *Henry G. Clukey
Members present, 1

Charles Sumner Post 101, Groveland

Commander, George S. Daggett
Members present, 0

Huntington F. Wolcott Post 102, Milton

Commander, *Nathaniel S. Barry
Members present, 1

J. Orson Fiske Post 105, Upton

Commander, Alonzo C. Southland
Members present, 0

Ericsson Post 109, East Templeton

Commander, Charles W. Nichols
Members present, 0

Capt. Horace Niles Post 110, Randolph

Commander, *Hiram S. Faunce
Members present, 0

D. Willard Robinson Post 112, Norwell

Commander, Alfred B. Litchfield
Members present, 0

Edward W. Kinsley Post 113, Boston

Commander, George W. States
Members present, 0

Col. C. R. Mudge Post 114, Merrimac

Commander, B. C. Flanders
Members present, 0

D. G. Farragut Post 116, Gardner

Commander, Edward P. Brown
Members present, 4

SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

Moses Ellis Post 117, Medfield

Commander, Ellery C. Crocker
Members present, 1

George G. Meade Post 119, Lexington

Commander, William B. Foster
Members present, 0

James A. Garfield Post 120, Lowell

Commander, George Conway
Members present, 0

Timothy Ingraham Post 121, Hyde Park

Commander, Richard F. Boynton
Members present, 3

E. P. Wallace Post 122, Amesbury

Commander, Samuel True
Members present, 1

Parker Post 123, Athol

Commander, Lyman B. Hastings
Members present, 0

W. W. Rockwell Post 125, Pittsfield

Commander, *Farnum E. Sawin
Members present, 1

Gen. J. Appleton Post 128, Ipswich

Commander, Albert N. Nichols
Members present, 0

James H. Sargent Post 130, West Medway

Commander, Elmer L. Videtto
Members present, 0

Robert A. Bell Post 134, Boston

Commander, *Edward A. Ditmus
Members present, 1

Isaac Davis Post 138, West Acton

Commander, George L. Towne
Members present, 1

Willard C. Kinsley Post 139, Somerville

Commander, George M. Houghton
Members present, 3

H. V. Smith Post 140, Athol

Commander, A. L. Jillson
Members present, 0

C. L. Chandler Post 143, Brookline

Commander, *William B. Webber
Members present, 2

Charles W. Carroll Post 144, Dedham

Commander, *John E. Bronson
Members present, 0

Wm. A. Streeter Post 145, Attleboro

Commander, John W. Bean
Members present, 1

Gen. Lawton Post 146, Lawrence

Commander, *John A. Brackett
Members present, 1

Major Boyd Post 151, West Newbury

Commander, John A. Bradley
Members present, 0

Gilman C. Parker Post 153, Winchendon

Commander, Henry F. Partridge
Members present, 0

James A. Perkins Post 156, Everett

Commander, *Edwin F. Morrill
Members present, 2

Alan Hamilton Post 160, West Brookfield

Commander, Edwin Wilbur
Members present, 0

Woburn Post 161, Woburn

Commander, A. B. Wyman
Members present, 0

F. A. Clary Post 164, Conway

Commander, George A. Hassell
Members present, 0

Wm. Wadsworth Post 165, Duxbury

Commander, Albert M. Goulding
Members present, 0

M. Ammidown Post 168, Southbridge

Commander, *George W. Corey
Members present, 0

George R. Bird Post 169, Norwood

Commander, *George W. Nead
Members present, 1

John Rogers Post 170, Mansfield

Commander, Alfred A. Briggs
Members present, 4

J. Arthur Johnson Post 173, Sturbridge

Commander, E. H. Davenport
Members present, 0

Edwin E. Day Post 174, Greenfield

Commander, Allen N. Newton
Members present, 2

Samuel F. Woods Post 179, Barre

Commander, George L. Chapman
Members present, 1

Ladd and Whitney Post 185, Lowell

Commander, Albert I. Gilman
Members present, 0

Preston Post 188, Beverly Farms

Commander, Benjamin F. Osborn
Members present, 0

David Church Post 189, Marshfield Hills

Commander, Isaiah A. Ewell
Members present, 0

R. A. Pierce Post 190, New Bedford

Commander, *George N. Alden
Members present, 1

Gettysburg Post 191, Boston

Commander, William J. Hargraves
Members present, 2

P. M. Whiting Post 192, North Attleborough

Commander, Stephen Stanley
Members present, 0

C. M. Packard Post 193, Avon

Commander, Maschil Hunt
Members present, 1

Veteran Post 194, Reading

Commander, *Walter S. Parker
Members present, 3

Thomas A. Parker Post 195, East Pepperell

Commander, *Otis A. Merrill
Members present, 1

Boston Post 200, Jamaica Plain

Commander, *George W. Green
Members present, 5

E. B. Nye Post 203, Bourne

Commander, *John J. Ryder
Members present, 0

Theodore Parkman Post 204, Centerville

Commander, Edwin W. Childs
Members present, 0

Thomas Gardner Post 207, Nantucket

Commander, Josiah F. Murphey
Members present, 0

E. P. Hopkins Post 209, Williamstown

Commander, W. R. Stocking
Members present, 0

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "All the Officers are present excepting Comrade Boyd, who is detained at home on account of an accident."

Commander: "First to my mind in the order of business is a presentation. In 1901 the House Committee had a commission, and Comrade George W. Bullard of West Medway was on that committee, which went to Andersonville, Georgia, and dedicated a monument. On the way back they stopped at Lookout Mountain, and Comrade Bullard found on the mountain a piece of wood and brought it home and had it made into a gavel. He presented it to his Post, James H. Sargent, No. 130, of West Medway. He passed away last summer, and his daughter has presented the gavel to me as a lifelong friend of the family, to be used at this convention; and there, comrades, is the gavel (showing same) and we will try to use it wisely today."

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ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER JAMES H. WEBB

COMRADES: —

"Another year is ended
Vanished in the surge of time,"

and again we are gathered in Faneuil Hall so fraught with memories of the time since you, my comrades, answered Father Abraham's first call in 1861, and reported here for orders. Little knowing or caring what they would be, we only knew that Old Glory had been fired upon and must be avenged. How well you performed that duty has been demonstrated by the united and prosperous country in which we are living.

I deeply appreciate the honor you bestowed upon me at our last encampment, and hope that in some degree I have fulfilled your expectations.

I have not kept an account of the official or fraternal visits I have made, but have accepted every invitation that I could and have been welcomed and entertained in a most cordial manner.

MUSTERED OUT

"Mustered out" has been written against the names of two members of our official family. Assistant Quartermaster-General Eugene D. Sanborn answered the last roll call on September 23, 1929; Comrade Walter E. Swan, a member of the Council of Administration, on January 22, 1930.

"While our ranks are growing thinner,
Comrades falling one by one,
Let us closer stand together
"Til life's battles shall be done."

MEMBERSHIP

Of the 2,213,365 men that answered the call of Father Abraham from '61 to '65, there were reported on June 30, 1929, 26,309.

In our own state, of the 24,261 members on our roll in 1890 there were, on December 31, 1929, 1,205. By referring to the Assistant Adjutant-General's report, we find on December 31, 1929, 127 posts, or a loss for the year of 11 posts which have surrendered their charters. Most of the members of these eleven posts have joined the Headquarters Post as members at large, thus keeping our membership from loss.

The number of members mustered out by death during the year was 261; losses in membership from other causes, 60; total loss in membership, 321.

FINANCE

From the report of the Assistant Quartermaster-General you will see that financially we are able, with the assistance of our allied organizations, and the same careful management at headquarters, to carry on to the end.

MEMORIAL DAY

Greater and dearer than all other days is Memorial Day, founded by the Grand Army of the Republic and observed all over our land. On that day the Veterans make their annual pilgrimage to the graves of their departed comrades.

Let your hearts be filled with a justifiable pride that in the hey-day of your youth you were permitted to become defenders of your country.

Let the approaching Memorial Day witness the performance by you of your sweetly solemn duties. Call to your aid your sons and daughters, your allied organizations, and the public in general. With them proceed to the "cities of the dead" and there place your floral offerings of love and the starry banner on the graves of those who are dear to you.

"When Spring with busy fingers cold
Returns to deck their hallowed mould
She there shall find a sweeter sod
Than fancy's feet have ever trod.
By fairy hands their knell is rung;
By forms unseen their dirges sung.
Here Honor comes, a pilgrim gray,
To bless the turf that wraps their clay;
And Freedom shall a while repair
To dwell a weeping hermit there."

Comrades, let us gather around these sacred places and perform that beautiful and touching ceremony while a survivor remains to honor the memory of a departed comrade.

"And somewhere again in the hilltops
Of that country that knoweth no pain
In the gateway of God's glorious Temple
They will give us the handclasp again."

ARMY NURSES

On January 15 of this year there passed from among us one of those noble women who had given of their all to the Veterans of the Civil War, Mrs. Fannie Titus Hazen. We shall miss her at this encampment.

"A journey's end; a life well filled,
A burden bravely borne;
Now at the closing of the day,
Tired and weak and worn
With labor for their fellow men
And world with heart-strings torn,
A kindly hand has led the way
To other spheres more bright,
And in the passing of our friends
We will not call it night,
For God above, around us all,
From gloom will bring the light."

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS

Instant in season and out; always ready and willing to assist us in any way. Their work in child welfare, and in Americanization and Patriotism, entitles them to the greatest praise. They have proven faithful and true to their trust of "assisting the Grand Army of the Republic."

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Comrades, let us renew our pledge to assist our sons in their drive for members; but also assist them in every way possible.

I attended a meeting of the Boston Municipal Council of their order, and if the enthusiasm manifested there is carried out, there is no danger of their not being able to fulfil their duties to us.

DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Who are better able to assist us than our children? I am greatly obliged to the various Tents that have been so helpful to me during the past year.

Their love for the work of Memorial Day and their assistance is greatly appreciated.

LADIES OF THE G. A. R.

I have realized more the value of the work this band of women is doing in my visits about the Department. Their constant kindness at the Soldiers' Home is worthy of great praise and assistance. May they continue in their ministrations to our comrades who are ill, and in many ways unable to help themselves.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR AUXILIARY

Always helpful, ready and willing to assist the Sons of Union Veterans, and loyal as well to the Grand Army of the Republic.

SOLDIERS' HOME, CHELSEA

I have visited the Home several times during the year, and have been impressed with the orderly manner in which it is conducted and the cleanliness of all departments. I cannot but think how fortunate are our comrades who are homeless and destitute to find a welcoming place in their old age.

I think that Commandant Parker feels a personal interest in every Civil War Veteran in his charge, and I am very much pleased to see the Patriotic Societies taking so much interest in the welfare of the comrades by providing them with entertainments and luxuries, and making it as homelike as possible.

GOVERNOR JOHN A. ANDREWS HOME

Words of mine fail to express my appreciation of this Home. The very fact that a comrade and his wife can be taken care of without separation, can live there together, is sufficient recommendation.

We should contribute more liberally for its support, and I would suggest that posts having a relief fund, or any other funds, when giving up their charters could find no better way of disposing of the money than by giving it to this worthy object.

It is my earnest wish that some patriotic citizen would endow it with sufficient funds to liquidate the mortgage and add to its capacity.

COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS

These Associations are the means by which our comradeship is to be kept alive as the charters of posts are surrendered owing to lack of membership. The one best way is in these meetings where we can meet and renew old acquaintances, and live again in memories of our experiences of camp and battlefield. Comrades, let us do all we can to foster these memories.

I would renew the suggestion of my predecessor, that the Relief Corps try to complete its business at the morning session, thus giving the comrades who come from a distance an opportunity to enjoy the joint meetings.

VETERANS OF OTHER WARS

I cannot say enough about these younger comrades of ours. The good will and helpfulness of the United Spanish War Veterans is sufficient proof to us that while they live, our work in the schools and on Memorial Day, and on every occasion where they can be of assistance to us, will be carried on.

The same can be said of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. It has been my experience that we cannot find enough for them to do without giving up the work we must always do ourselves.

EVENTS OF THE YEAR

National Encampment

The National Encampment, held in Portland, Maine, was the outstanding event, the distance making it possible for the comrades to attend.

The hearty welcome we received, the courteous treatment given us by State, City and every citizen will not soon be forgotten by any of us. Our hosts vied with one another to see that nothing was left undone to make our visit enjoyable.

We received loyal support for our candidate for Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Edwin J. Foster, making his election possible, and thus giving Massachusetts its sixth Commander-in-Chief, and probably the last one from the eastern states.

To you, my Comrades, I extend my thanks for your strict attention to the business of the encampment, and for your wonderful showing on the day of parade, your soldierly appearance in line; one hundred and twenty-five marching men, every one a soldier! You well deserved the applause you received.

Weymouth

The town of Weymouth gave to the Grand Army of the Republic the honor of dedicating the Tablets which they erected in memory of over 900 soldiers who enlisted from that town in all wars. The full ritualistic exercises of our Order were performed by your Department Officers.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I recommend that the same amounts be appropriated as in former years, namely:

\$1,200 for salary of the Assistant Adjutant-General.

\$900, as voted at the last encampment, as salary for the Headquarters Clerk.

\$500 to defray the traveling expenses of the Department Commander, and of such other officers as he may detail to attend County Association meetings and other functions at which it may be desirable that the Department be officially represented.

A sufficient sum to maintain Department Headquarters, and defray the traveling expenses of the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General at the next National Encampment.

CONCLUSION

Very soon I shall surrender to my successor the trust conferred upon me one year ago; but I shall never surrender the memory of the wonderful receptions I have received everywhere I have been, nor of the friendships formed during the year.

I know that you will give to my successor the same loyal treatment you have given me.

The efficient management at headquarters leaves no clerical work for the Commander, and I wish to thank the Assistant Adjutant-General and Headquarters Clerk for the many courtesies extended, and for all information received.

To the Senior and Junior Vice-Commanders I extend my sincere thanks.

To the members of my staff and to the allied organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic I can only say "God bless you all" is the sincere wish of your Department Commander.

JAMES H. WEBB, *Department Commander.*

Senior Vice-Commander Howes: "Comrades, you have listened to the address of your Commander; what is your pleasure in regard to it?"

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I move that it be accepted and referred to the Committee on Commander's Address; and that other Department Officers' reports take the same course." (Seconded and so voted.)

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER

MIDDLEBOROUGH, MASS., March 1, 1930.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General:*

COMRADE: — As this office is an honorary position carrying with it no responsibilities or duties, so long as the Commander is able to conduct the affairs of the Department and he has done this efficiently, I have no record of official duty to present. I have, however, many pleasant memories of acquaintances made and courtesies received that has made the year a very enjoyable one and for this I give my comrades, the Ladies of the Patriotic Organizations, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Spanish War, Veterans and members of the American Legion my grateful thanks.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

ALVIN C. HOWES, *Department Senior Vice-Commander.*

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT JUNIOR VICE-COMMANDER

WEYMOUTH, MASS., March 1, 1930.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE: — I submit, herewith, a report of my services as Department Junior Vice-Commander, to date:

I have attended all details received from my superior officers that were in my power so to do. It gives me great pleasure to take down and reread the long list of invitations to various functions of the G. A. R. and its Auxiliaries which hang on file in my desk, pleasant reminders of happy occasions, for which I desire now to express my most cordial thanks.

They include receptions to Commander-in-Chief Foster, Commander Webb, County Conventions at Middlesex, Suffolk, Norfolk and Plymouth Counties, many installations of officers and receptions at various times of American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Sons and Daughters of Union Veterans and other gatherings.

It was a great pleasure to me to have the Department officers conduct the services on the occasion of the dedication of the Bronze Tablets bearing the names of nearly nine hundred Civil War Veterans credited to the Town of Weymouth, November 11, 1929, using by request the Ritual of the G. A. R. for such occasions, and I wish to extend the thanks of our townspeople to the Department for their courtesy at that time.

I also attended the session of National Encampment at Portland, Maine, and was greatly pleased with the soldierly bearing of the Massachusetts delegation.

I also wish to thank my superiors in office for their many expressions of help and good-will, and my comrades for their forbearance and kind words.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

WALDO TURNER, *Department Junior Vice-Commander*.

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR

FALL RIVER, MASS., March 1, 1930.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE: — I have the honor to report as Medical Director of the Department of Massachusetts. Since being installed as Medical Director of the Department I have sought in every way to faithfully represent and to build the Order. In schools, in churches and other organizations I have tried to instil in the minds, especially in the young, the principles of Patriotism, love for the Flag, love of country.

For the honor conferred on me as a Department officer, I desire to return thanks.

In F., C. and L.,

JOHN GILBERT, M.D., *Department Medical Director*.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN

NORWOOD, MASS., March 1, 1930.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE: — I have the honor of making my annual report as follows:

I received 95 Memorial Day reports from Post Chaplains. I have attended Norfolk County G. A. R. Association meetings. The June meeting was held with my own Post No. 169 in our new Memorial Hall. It being the hottest day of the season, not as many comrades were present as usual, but the cooling effect of ice cream served so generously at dinner time, by caterer Holman, our Son of a Veteran,

mitigated our discomfort and lessened the perspiration. I was with the comrades of Post 58, East Weymouth, when they dedicated their Memorial in honor of the Soldiers of all our Wars, and I took part in that service.

My daily prayer has been that God would bless with health and long life, every member of our Order, also their families and those allied with us. As we advance in years, comrades, let us not forget that the setting sun shines with its glow of light and beauty the same as the rising sun. So it may be with our lives. Let us thank God also, that we were able to do our part in saving the Union from dissolution, and also that we have lived to see it grow and prosper until it has reached its present greatness with its Flag of Freedom respected and honored throughout the world.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

GEORGE W. NEAD, *Department Chaplain.*

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL

BOSTON, MASS., March 1, 1930.

JAMES H. WEBB, *Department Commander:*

COMRADE:— I have the honor to render my report as Assistant Adjutant-General for the year ending February 28, 1930. The following table shows the membership of the Department December 31, 1929:

Number of posts	127
Number of comrades in good standing, Dec. 31, 1928	1,474
Number gained from all sources	24
Number of Members at Large	28
Aggregate	1,526
Number of comrades lost by death	261
Number lost from all other sources	60
Total loss	321
Number in good standing Dec. 31, 1929	1,205
Amount reported expended in Relief	\$5,077 22

The following posts, eleven in number, have surrendered their charters during the year: Post 32, South Boston; 37, Spencer; 44, Southborough; 51, North Brookfield; 52, Eastondale; 85, Ware; 104, Hingham; 132, Sandwich; 163, Framingham; 182, Somerset; 199, Revere.

Two posts have been suspended on account of failing to report.

Of the 127 posts in good standing, 5 posts have but 1 member each; 12 posts, 2 members each; 10 posts, 3 members; 12 posts, 4 members; 7 posts, 5 members; 40 posts, 6 to 10 members; 34 posts, 11 to 20 members; 7 posts, 21 to 56 members; Post 10 of Worcester has 56; Post 5 of Lynn has 52; and Post 16 of Springfield, third in size, has 30 members. Total, 1,205.

Once more I feel obliged to call the attention of posts to the necessity of arranging for the disposal of their Post Charters and Records before the post shall cease to function. It has been impossible, in some instances, to secure the carrying out of the pledge given by the Post Commander in taking the obligation at his installation, that if the post surrendered its charter it should be placed in a Public Library or Historical Society, and in a number of instances, after the labor of the Assistant Adjutant-General in writing from three to eight letters, the Charter and Records cannot be obtained. I recommend:

"When a post is reduced to less than three members, it shall be required to place its Charter and Record Books in the Public Library of the town or city in which the post is located, or in the custody of a regularly organized Historical Society. That provision being carried out, if the remaining comrades desire to continue their membership in the Grand Army of the Republic, they can join the Membership-at-Large, and by so doing will retain all past honors, and be entitled to all the privileges of post membership."

The preservation of Charters and Records is a most important matter, and I believe by the adoption of the foregoing recommendation their future safety is ensured.

REPORT OF MEMBERSHIP BY DISTRICTS, AND OF THE NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES
TO THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT TO WHICH EACH DISTRICT IS ENTITLED IN 1930

	COUNTIES	Members	Represent- atives
District No. 1 . . . {	Barnstable	5 } 102	1
	Bristol	94 }	
	Nantucket	3 }	
District No. 2	Plymouth	86	1
District No. 3	Norfolk	77	1
District No. 4	Suffolk	160	2
District No. 5	Essex	237	2
District No. 6	Middlesex	240	2
District No. 7	Worcester	161	2
District No. 8 . . . {	Hampden	41 }	1
	Berkshire	30 }	
	Franklin	26 }	
	Hampshire	17 }	
Members-at-Large		1,177 28	12 —
		1,205	12

The following table shows the membership by counties in detail:

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES

Number of Post	LOCATION	Number of Mem- bers	Number of Post	LOCATION	Number of Mem- bers
	<i>Barnstable County</i>			<i>Franklin County</i>	
203	Bourne	2	17	Orange	8
204	Centerville	3	93	Shelburne Falls	3
	Total (2 Posts)	5	164	Conway	3
			174	Greenfield	12
	<i>Berkshire County</i>			Total (4 Posts)	26
79	North Adams	14		<i>Hampden County</i>	
125	Pittsfield	13	16	Springfield	30
209	Williamstown	3	41	Westfield	7
	Total (3 Posts)	30	71	Holyoke	4
	<i>Bristol County</i>			Total (3 Posts)	41
1	New Bedford	12		<i>Hampshire County</i>	
3	Taunton	20		Northampton	17
46	Fall River	17	86	Huntington	-
145	Attleboro	17	176	Total (2 Posts)	17
170	Mansfield	6		<i>Middlesex County</i>	
190	New Bedford	16		Melrose	12
192	North Attleborough	6		Hudson	5
	Total (7 Posts)	94	4	Wakefield	14
	<i>Essex County</i>		9	Hopkinton	4
5	Lynn	52	12	Ashland	1
34	Salem	28	14	Waltham	10
39	Lawrence	14	18	Cambridge	10
45	Gloucester	6	29	Woburn	1
47	Haverhill	17	30	Arlington	9
49	Newburyport	23	33	Malden	12
50	Peabody	7	36	Lowell	11
82	Marblehead	17	40	Marlborough	9
89	Beverly	18	42	Ayer	6
90	Danvers	12	43	Cambridge	3
95	Saugus	4	48	Newtonville	22
99	Andover	4	56	Natick	10
101	Groveland	4	62	Medford	7
114	Merrimac	7	63	Stoneham	12
118	Swampscott	2	66	Watertown	8
122	Amesbury	4	75	Groton	-
128	Ipswich	4	81	Lexington	3
146	Lawrence	9	115	Lowell	8
151	West Newbury	2	119	West Acton	8
152	Essex	2	120	Somerville	14
188	Beverly Farms	1	138	Everett	6
	Total (21 Posts)	237	139	Woburn	3
			156		
			161		

TABULATED REPORT BY COUNTIES — *Concluded*

Number of Post	LOCATION	Number of Members	Number of Post	LOCATION	Number of Members
	<i>Middlesex County —</i>			<i>Suffolk County</i>	
	Con.		2	South Boston	10
185	Lowell	18	7	Boston	13
194	Reading	8	11	Charlestown	14
195	East Pepperell	6	15	Boston	17
	Total (29 Posts)	240	21	Boston	1
	<i>Nantucket County</i>		26	Roxbury	18
207	Nantucket	3	35	Chelsea	15
	Total (1 Post)	3	68	Dorchester	14
	<i>Norfolk County</i>		92	Brighton	7
58	East Weymouth	19	113	Boston	16
60	Franklin	5	121	Hyde Park	11
72	Stoughton	9	134	Boston	8
87	South Braintree	3	191	Boston	6
88	Quincy	7	200	Jamaica Plain	10
102	Milton	5		Total (14 Posts)	160
110	Randolph	7		<i>Worcester County</i>	
117	Medfield	2	10	Worcester	56
130	West Medway	6	19	Fitchburg	16
143	Brookline	4	22	Milford	5
144	Dedham	4	38	Brookfield	2
169	Norwood	4	53	Leominster	13
193	Avon	2	61	Webster	7
	Total (13 Posts)	77	64	Clinton	7
	<i>Plymouth County</i>		70	Millbury	4
8	Middleborough	13	77	Holden	2
13	Brockton	21	80	Westborough	7
31	Scituate	5	105	Upton	1
73	Abington	8	109	East Templeton	2
74	Rockland	9	116	Gardner	9
76	Plymouth	6	123	Athol Center	6
78	Whitman	11	140	Athol	6
83	Hanover	2	153	Winchendon	2
112	Norwell	3	160	West Brookfield	2
165	Duxbury	2	168	Southbridge	5
189	Marshfield Hills	6	173	Sturbridge	5
	Total (11 Posts)	86	179	Barre	4
				Total (20 Posts)	161

The Grim Reaper has entered our official family twice during the year, taking from our midst Comrades Eugene D. Sanborn, Assistant Quartermaster-General, and Walter E. Swan, a member of the Council of Administration. Both of these comrades have won the esteem and respect of all our members and have been zealous workers in the interest of our Order. "We shall meet, but we shall miss them." The Department of Massachusetts is sixth in its membership, and is in

splendid condition. The work at headquarters grows more trying each year. Old age dulls the minds of many of our comrades, and the result is much extra work on the part of the headquarters force to straighten out the scores of errors made in many ways. The department is fortunate that it is possible to retain the services of our Headquarters Clerk, Helen A. Phinney, the most effective officer that has held that position. For neatness, promptness, and ability she has no superior.

Now, Commander, we have come to the parting of the ways. Officially, it has been a pleasant year. Our ways have been ways of pleasantness, and our pathway has been one of peace. It gives me much satisfaction to proclaim to our department that you have been loyal to your trust, and faithful in the performance of your duties. I trust that the bonds of friendship which have grown stronger during the past year may last to the end of time.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General.*

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL

BOSTON, MASS., March 1, 1930.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General:*

COMRADE: — I have the honor to submit herewith my report of the transactions of this office during the past year. The following table which is supported by vouchers, shows all receipts and expenditures of funds which have come into my possession:

INVESTED FUNDS	
Cash on hand March 1, 1929	\$8,307 39
Received interest, Boston Five Cents Savings Bank	82 59
Received interest, East Cambridge Savings Bank	93 77
Received interest, Home Savings Bank	85 22
Received interest, Warren Institution for Savings	81 23
Received interest, Provident Institution for Savings	22 79
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	\$8,672 99
Transferred to General Fund	2,250 00
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Total on hand March 1, 1930	\$6,422 99
GENERAL FUND	
<i>Receipts</i>	
Cash on hand March 1, 1929	\$58 38
Sale of supplies	86 92
Interest, Atlantic Bank	2 86
Woman's Relief Corps	500 00
Daughters of Union Veterans	250 00
Sale of tickets	125 19
Membership-at-Large	26 00
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Total	\$1,049 35
Received from Invested Fund	2,250 00
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Total Receipts	\$3,299 35
Less Expenditures	3,182 94
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Cash on hand Feb. 28, 1930	116 41
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Cash in both funds	\$6,539 40

*Expenditures***March, 1929**

Boston Regalia Co., supplies	\$6 95
E. J. Foster, travelling	43 28
W. A. Wetherbee, stamps	1 08
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	35
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for March	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for March	50 00
Parcel post	16

 \$201 82
April, 1929

E. J. Foster, travelling	\$41 94
J. R. Whipple Corp.	16 50
S. S. Pierce Co.	15 00
Baptist Social Union	36 00
C. C. Whittemore	187 50
Wm. Green, express	3 00
E. J. Foster, travelling	23 95
Deposit on stamped envelopes	5 51
Stamps	50
O'Neil & Parker, bond	12 50
Stamps	1 50
James H. Webb, travelling	4 50
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for April	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for April	100 00

 548 40
May, 1929

C. D. R. Stowits, supplies	\$2 00
Griffith-Stillings Press, letterheads	4 75
W. A. Wetherbee, travelling	8 90
A. C. Morrill, printing	112 50
Western Union	96
Bates Torrey, stenographer	88 00
J. E. Doyle, Encampment expense	5 00
T. F. Murphy, Encampment expense	5 00
E. F. Morrill, Encampment expense	1 10
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	85
C. R. Gow, stamped envelopes	45 50
W. A. Wetherbee, telegram and supplies	80
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for May	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for May	75 00
Headquarters expense	9 29

 459 65
June, 1929

Boston Regalia Co., supplies	\$6 00
Western Union	45
J. H. Webb, travelling	5 40
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	40
Typewriter ribbon	1 00
Stamps	1 00
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for June	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for June	75 00

 189 25

July, 1929

J. H. Webb, travelling	\$5 60
Western Union	69
E. J. Foster, travelling	5 45
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	10
A. C. Morrill	24 00
W. A. Wetherbee, travelling	5 06
Stamps	44
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for July	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for July	75 00
Envelopes	59

 \$216 93
August, 1929

J. H. Webb, travelling	\$16 12
Damon Co., supplies	45
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for August	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for August	75 00

 191 57
September, 1929

J. Newman Sons, flowers	\$3 00
National Encampment	117 22
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	1 90
Stamps	08
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for September	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for September	75 00

 297 20
October, 1929

J. Newman Sons	\$5 00
J. H. Webb, travelling	9 53
Underwood Typewriter Co., repairs	1 25
A. C. Morrill, printing	9 00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	25
J. H. Webb, travelling	9 44
C. D. R. Stowits, supplies	21 40
A. C. Morrill, printing	21 50
W. A. Wetherbee, travelling	4 72
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for October	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for October	75 00
Stamps	14

 257 23
November, 1929

Damon Co., supplies	\$0 40
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	1 10
Stamps	2 00
A. C. Morrill, printing	13 00
Stamps	1 00
Stamps	2 00
Boston Regalia Co., supplies	3 75
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for November	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for November	75 00

 198 25
December, 1929

J. H. Webb, travelling	\$6 85
J. Newman Sons, flowers	5 00
J. H. Webb, travelling	7 82
Stamps	2 06
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	10
Stamps	32
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for December	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for December	75 00

 197 15

January, 1930

A. C. Morrill, printing	\$7 00
Western Union Tel. Co.	48
Stamps	1 50
Parcel post	35
Boston Regalia Co., supplies	3 00
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for January	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for January	75 00

 \$187 33
February, 1930

Griffith-Stillings Press, letterheads	\$3 25
Newman Sons, wreath, Mrs. Hazen	5 00
J. W. Webb, travelling	8 73
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	30
C. D. R. Stowits, supplies	2 00
C. D. R. Stowits, per capita, 1,205 @ 3½	42 18
Stamps	1 00
Office supplies	70
W. A. Wetherbee, salary for February	100 00
Helen A. Phinney, salary for February	75 00

 238 16

 Total expense \$3,182 94
MERCHANDISE ACCOUNT*Dr.*

On hand March 1, 1929	\$140 58
Bought during the year	45 10
Profit and loss	29 11

 \$214 79
Cr.

Sold during the year	\$86 92
On hand March 1, 1930	127 87

 214 79
ASSETS**Invested Fund:**

East Cambridge Savings Bank	\$1,946 76
Warren Institution for Savings	1,291 98
Provident Institution for Savings	524 44
Home Savings Bank	1,858 64
Boston Five Cents Savings Bank	801 17

 \$6,422 99
General Fund:

Atlantic Bank	\$85 72
Cash in safe	30 69

 116 41

 Total \$6,539 40

Value of supplies	\$127 87
Colors	200 00
Office furniture	250 00

 \$577 87
LIABILITIES

None.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN F. MORRILL, *Assistant Quartermaster-General.*

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR

GREENFIELD, MASS., March 1, 1930.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE: — Posts inspected, not any; have had no calls, so far, for same.

Fraternally yours,

JOHN R. SEARS, *Department Inspector*.

REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER

JAMAICA PLAIN, MASS., March 1, 1930.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE: — In accordance with custom, I beg leave to submit my report of Chief Mustering Officer of the Department. I have fulfilled the duties as far as requested and wish to thank Commander Webb for the honor conferred on me and my post in appointing me as Chief Mustering Officer. My relations with him have been most pleasant, and to you I also express my thanks for courtesies extended.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

GEORGE W. GREEN, *Chief Mustering Officer*.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

READING, MASS., March 1, 1930.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE: — It gives me pleasure to submit the following report as State Patriotic Instructor:

There is a very intelligent and earnest interest among the teachers and pupils of our schools in regard to the Stars and Stripes and all it signifies to the United States in the history of our Republic relating to the past, present and future of our Republic. They are keenly alive to the glories of the past and the bright prospects of the future.

Many of the older pupils are acquainted with the wonderful growth of the country in its immediate past, that she stands today the most prosperous and the richest country in the world and that she occupies the most favorable part of the Western Hemisphere. The older pupils are not unmindful of the courage exemplified and the hardships endured to bring to a peaceful ending our great Civil War.

All of the allied associations of the G. A. R. are always ready and willing to assist in every way possible in making the exercises of Decoration Day a great success and at all times whenever it is desirable to have Patriotic exercises.

Yours very truly,

WALTER S. PARKER, *Department Patriotic Instructor*.

REPORT OF CHIEF OF STAFF

WOLLASTON, MASS., March 3, 1930.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*:

COMRADE: — The duties of the Chief of Staff the past year have been light. I gratefully appreciate the honor conferred on me by the appointment.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

JAS. S. MITCHELL, *Chief of Staff*.

REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

BOSTON, MASS., March 1, 1930.

JAMES H. WEBB, *Department Commander*:

COMRADE: — The Council of Administration for the year 1928-29 respectfully submits the following report:

The first meeting of the Council was held May 7, 1929. Every member was present.

It was voted that the encampment of 1930 be held Tuesday and Wednesday, April 8 and 9.

It was voted to hold the customary banquet. The Assistant Adjutant-General was given full powers to arrange for the same.

Comrades Batchelder, Swan and Robinson were appointed as auditors.

The second and final meeting was held February 28, 1930.

All members present excepting Comrades Boyd and Howes, both being detained at home on account of sickness.

By vote of the Council the Assistant Adjutant-General was instructed to write letters of cheer to each of the above-named comrades.

The Commander reported the death of Comrades Eugene D. Sanborn, Assistant Quartermaster-General, and Walter E. Swan a member of the Council.

The Council stood with bowed heads, in memory of the two comrades who have endeared themselves to all who knew them, by their kind and loyal comradeship. "They are gone, but not forgotten."

The auditors presented their report.

After a period of talk on various topics the Council adjourned.

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, *Assistant Adjutant-General*.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

BOSTON, MASS., March 1, 1930.

JAMES H. WEBB, *Department Commander*:

COMRADE: — The Auditing Committee respectfully reports that it has examined the books and accounts of the Assistant Quartermaster-General and has found them correct, with vouchers for all charges made to February 28, 1930.

We have verified the cash, and find the total amount on hand February 28, 1930, to be \$6,539.40.

HENRI BATCHELDER,
CHAS. L. ROBINSON,
Auditing Committee.

MUSTERED OUT

DURING THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1929

NAME	Date of Death	Rank	Regiment or Ship	Place of Birth
<i>Post 1, New Bedford</i>				
William H. Bryant	May 28	Private	Cos. I and I, 3 Mass. Cavalry	Ireland.
Henry W. Clair	Aug. 16	Private	Co. E, 3 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Fairhaven, Mass.
William H. Dunham	Oct. 26	Private	Co. E, 5 Mass. Battery	Fairhaven, Mass.
<i>Post 2, South Boston</i>				
John O. Riley	Feb. 21	Seaman	U. S. Navy	Ireland.
<i>Post 3, Taunton</i>				
Thomas T. Wilbur	Mar. 18	Corporal	Co. H, 40 Mass. Infantry	Raynham, Mass.
Rollin H. Babbitt	May 6	Sergeant	Co. D, 7 Mass. Infantry	Berkley, Mass.
Leander Terry	May 11	Private	22 Mass. Unattached Infantry	Freetown, Mass.
<i>Post 4, Melrose</i>				
John Kohr	Apr. 9	-	Co. K, 1 Mass. Unattached Infantry	Boston, Mass.
<i>Post 5, Lynn</i>				
George P. Fowler	Jan. 4	Private	Co. I, 29 Mass. Infantry	Plymouth, Mass.
Chas. H. Brackett	Jan. 19	Private	Co. A, 17 Mass. Infantry	Lynn, Mass.
Wm. G. Crosson	Feb. 15	Private	Co. A, 7 N. H. Infantry	Canada
Eugene A. Wilson	June 13	Seaman	U. S. Navy, "Gemsbok"	Lynn, Mass.
Alfred W. Tirrell	Mar. 3	Second Lieutenant	Co. A, 29 Mass. Infantry	Weymouth, Mass.
Theodore H. Rhodes	Apr. 15	Private	11 Mass. Unattached Infantry	Danvers, Mass.
John Nickerson	May 30	Seaman	"New Ironsides"	Barstable, Mass.
Thomas Kenney	Aug. 29	Musician	27 Mass. Infantry	Bradshaw, Eng.
Geo. W. Willey	Sept. 6	Private	Co. L, 4 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Hartford, Conn.
Eugene M. Libbey	Oct. 2	Private	Co. B, 4 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Windham, Me.
Joseph C. Norton, Jr.	Oct. 2	Private	Co. I, 8 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
Archelaus P. B. Kelly	Nov. 1	Private	Co. A, 2 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Danvers, Mass.
Frank Viannah	Nov. 1	Corporal	23 Mass. Infantry	Wenham, Mass.
John S. Griffin	Nov. 10	Private	Co. D, 15 N. H. Infantry	Epsom, N. H.
George C. Neal	Dec. 14	Private	Co. A, 33 Mass. Infantry	Sanford, N. H.
<i>Post 7, Boston</i>				
Herbert L. Howland	Oct. 29	Private	Co. H, 4 Mass. Cavalry	Hinsdale, Mass.
<i>Post 8, Middleborough</i>				
Ezra Morse	Apr. 4	Private	Co. C, 7 Mass. Infantry	Middleborough, Mass.
Grover Bennett	Nov. 12	Private	Co. C, 4 Mass. Infantry	Middleborough, Mass.
<i>Post 9, Hudson</i>				
Alvin A. Young	Jan. 14	Private	Co. K, 9 N. H. Volunteers	Newport, N. H.
Frank H. Stevens	Feb. 28	Private	Co. E, 26 Mass. Infantry	Boxborough, Mass.

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NAME	Date of Death	Rank	Regiment or Ship	Place of Birth
<i>Post 16, Springfield</i>				
Henry H. Hoisington	Jan. 23	-	U. S. Navy	-
Hiram A. Beach	Feb. 5	-	Co. A, 27 Mass. Infantry	-
Charles Kuralt	May 29	-	Band, 2 R. I. Infantry	-
Jeremiah Byrt	July 1	-	U. S. Navy	-
Charles J. Warner	July 8	-	Co. A, 57 Mass. Infantry	-
Nathaniel Smith	July 21	-	Co. G, 5 N. H. Infantry	-
George A. Payne	Oct. 24	-	Co. I, 1 Mass. Infantry	-
William M. Cooley	Oct. 27	-	Co. I, 46 Mass. Infantry	-
Orrin W. Cook	Nov. 16	-	Co. B, 22 Mass. Infantry	-
Arthur J. Adams	Nov. 17	-	Co. A, 1 Conn. Heavy Artillery	-
Walter H. Duncan	Dec. 11	-	Co. H, 46 and Co. E, 57 Mass. Infantry	-
<i>Post 21, Roxbury</i>				
Leopold Hindenlang	Jan. 31	Private	16 Conn. Infantry	-
<i>Post 22, Milford</i>				
George S. Whitney	Feb. 10	Private	19 Unattached Co.	Milford, Mass.
George M. Green	Mar. 26	Private	Co. G, 40 N. Y. Infantry	Cambridge, Mass.
George C. Buck	Sept. 29	Private	Co. D, 18 Conn. Infantry	Pomfret, Conn.
<i>Post 26, Roxbury</i>				
William B. Pearce	Jan. 1	-	9 Mass. Battery, Light Artillery	-
John H. Gardner	Feb. 13	Musician	Co. G, 36 Mass. Infantry	-
Julius W. Bostwick	June 22	-	4 Mass. Heavy Artillery	-
Henry A. Thomas	July 6	Private	Co. K, 44 Mass. Infantry	-
Hiram H. Chubbuck	Aug. 19	Private	Co. K, 1 Mass. Infantry	-
<i>Post 29, Waltham</i>				
John A. Gardner	May 14	Private	Co. C, 139 N. Y. Infantry	Portland, Me.
Samuel H. Bacon	Sept. 18	Private	Co. I, 3 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Southbridge, Mass.
J. Lowell Wellington	Dec. 12	Sergeant	Co. G, 5 Mass. Infantry	Waltham, Mass.
<i>Post 34, Salem</i>				
James Sullivan	Feb. 18	Private	Co. B, 4 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Salem, Mass.
Edward Stillman	May 12	Musician	Co. A, 50 Mass. Infantry	Salem, Mass.
Frank L. Smith	July 31	Private	25 Mass. Infantry	Topsfield, Mass.
David N. Pousland	Aug. 12	Private	2 Corps Cadets	Salem, Mass.
Henry E. Han	Oct. 4	Private	5 Mass. Infantry	New Hampshire.
Wm. T. Lander	Oct. 25	Private	13 Unattached Co.	Salem, Mass.
John H. Morse	Nov. 14	-	U. S. Navy	Salem, Mass.
Robert Anderson	Nov. 25	-	U. S. Navy	-
George W. Coots	Dec. 17	Private	1 Mass. Cavalry	-

Post 35, Chelsea

George O. Jewett . . .
 James A. Yeaton . . .
 William Nolan . . .
 Frank S. Evans . . .
 Jeremiah Norris . . .
 Benj. T. Glover . . .
 William H. Atkinson . . .

Post 39, Lawrence

George Heyworth . . .
 Jesse F. Brown . . .
 Moulton Batchelder . . .

Post 40, Malden

Hiram S. Coburn . . .
 Thomas A. Hodgson . . .
 George Prouty . . .
 John W. Nicols . . .
 Charles Lincoln . . .
 James D. Winslow . . .
 Albert Morgan . . .

Post 46, Fall River

J. W. Gorton . . .
 George Simmons . . .
 Timothy O'Neil . . .
 Eber A. Ray . . .

Post 47, Haverhill

George W. Heath . . .
 Edwin C. Noyes . . .
 Wm. M. Dresser . . .
 James R. Gray . . .
 Charles H. Magrath . . .
 Andrew J. Hill . . .
 John Maley . . .
 Walter Ford . . .

Post 48, Ayer

William H. Cram . . .

Post 49, Newburyport

Samuel S. Short . . .
 Amos M. Little . . .
 Orlando F. Hatch . . .
 Benjamin P. Rogers . . .

Jan. 17	Private			Co. D, 1 and 7 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
Jan. 27	Private			Co. D, 22 Mass. Infantry	Newcastle, N. H.
Feb. 2				U. S. S. "Marion"	Halifax, N. S.
Feb. 4	Private			Co. H, 43 Mass. Infantry	Fitchburg, Mass.
Mar. 16	Private			4 Unattached Co.	Salem, Mass.
Apr. 26	Corporal			Co. G, 40 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
Dec. 21	Private			Co. I, 17 Me. Volunteers	Limington, Me.
Feb. 23	Musician			Co. H, 4 N. H. Infantry	
Mar. 18	Sergeant			3 Mass. Heavy Artillery	
Oct. 29	Lieutenant			Co. K, 6 Mass. Infantry	
Jan. 8	Sergeant			Co. A, 1 Me. Cavalry	Maine.
Jan. 27	Ship's Corporal			U. S. Navy	Eastport, Me.
Feb. 2	Bugler			Co. E, 5 U. S. Cavalry	Chelsea, Mass.
Jan. 13	Private			Co. I, 5 U. S. Cavalry	
June 30	Private			Unattached Co.	Maine.
July 6	Private			Unassigned Co.	Maine.
Aug. 27	Private			Co. G, 5 Mass. Heavy Artillery	
Jan. 10	Private			2 N. Y. Heavy Artillery	
Apr. 17	Musician			2 R. I. Infantry	Dighton, Mass.
Apr. 19				U. S. Navy	Ireland.
Sept. 4	Private			Co. G, 26 Mass. Infantry	Norwich, Conn.
Jan. 29	Corporal			Co. I, 60 Mass. Infantry	Haverhill, Mass.
Feb. 18	Private			Co. G, 35 Mass. Infantry	
Mar. 1	Private			Co. H, 3 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Groveland, Mass.
Mar. 22	Private			Co. G, 35 Mass. Infantry	Grovetown, Mass.
Apr. 29	Private			Co. C, 6 Mass. Infantry	East Livermore, Me.
Apr. 29	Private			Co. H, 15 Me. Infantry	Haverhill, Mass.
Feb. 22	Private			Co. I, 3 U. S. Artillery	
June 11	Private			Co. F, 50 Mass. Infantry	Conway, N. H.
Oct. 13	Private			Co. H, 19 Mass. Infantry	Newburyport, Mass.
Nov. 29	Private			Co. A, 13 N. H. Infantry, transferred to Navy	Saco, Me.
Nov. 29	Private			Co. B, 1 Frontier Cavalry	Sharon, N. H.
Jan. 29	Seaman			U. S. S. "Sabago"	Newbury, Mass.
Feb. 11	Private			Co. E, 38 Mass. Infantry	Newbury, Mass.
June 23	Seaman			U. S. S. "Nanaska"	Nobleboro, Me.
July 10	Corporal			Co. A, 17 Mass. Infantry	Byfield, Mass.

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<i>Post 53, Leominster</i>				
Hiram H. Butler	May -	Private	Co. I, 2 Mass. Cavalry	Leominster, Mass.
<i>Post 56, Cambridge</i>				
Theodore P. Prentice	Feb. 7	2d Class Boy	U. S. S. "Ohio"	Hartford, Conn.
Otis S. Brown	Feb. 25	Private	Co. D, 6 Mass. Infantry	Billerica, Mass.
James L. Ireland	Sept. 8	Private	Co. B, 5 Mass. Infantry	Watertown, Mass.
<i>Post 61, Webster</i>				
Henry Heald	Jan. 3	Musician	Co. A, 4 U. S. Infantry	Bloomfield, N. J.
William Moore	Dec. 16	Private	Co. F, 4 Heavy Artillery	Ireland.
<i>Post 62, Newtonville</i>				
Alonzo H. Leonard	Jan. 9	Corporal	Co. G, 4 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Randolph, Mass.
Patrick Condon	Feb. 5	Landman	U. S. Navy	Ireland.
J. Coolidge Coffin	Apr. 12	Private	Co. B, 44 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
Daniel W. Davis	Apr. 12	Private	Co. F, 12 N. H. Infantry	Barrington, N. H.
Ellis Howell	Oct. 29	Private	Co. H, 17 N. Y. Infantry	Trowbridge, Eng.
William H. Pearson	Mar. 5	Private	Co. C, 134 Ill. Infantry	-
<i>Post 63, Natick</i>				
Sylvester H. Frost	Jan. 28	Sergeant	Co. H, 13 Mass. Infantry	-
B. J. Healy	Jan. 31	Private	U. S. Marine Corps	Boston, Mass.
John L. Robinson	Feb. 25	Private	Co. I, 27 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
<i>Post 64, Clinton</i>				
E. C. Mann	May 12	Private	Co. F, 5 Mass. Infantry	-
John E. Farnsworth	Sept. 21	Private	Co. I, 34 Mass. Infantry	Lancaster, Mass.
<i>Post 68, Dorchester</i>				
J. Henry Blanchard	Mar. 26	Private	Co. I, 45 Mass. Infantry	Charlestown, Mass.
Jerome J. Pratt	Apr. 20	Private	Co. B, 1 Vt. Cavalry	Randolph, Vt.
Wm. H. Severance	Sept. 3	Corporal	Co. F, 33 Mass. Infantry	Lowell, Mass.
Charles A. Davis	Sept. 30	Adjutant	42 Mass. Infantry	Roxbury, Mass.
Henry P. Wheeler	Dec. 27	Ensign	U. S. Navy	Newton, Mass.
<i>Post 71, Holyoke</i>				
Joshua Fraser	Apr. 19	Corporal	Co. D, 8 Mass. Infantry	-
Edward Neumann	July 1	Private	Co. H, 20 Mass. Infantry	-
<i>Post 74, Rockland</i>				
Davis C. Witherell	Jan. 29	Private	Co. E, 31 Mass. Infantry	-
John D. Thompson	Feb. 22	Landman	Co. G, 38 Mass. Infantry	Scituate, Mass.
Henry A. Baker	June 20	Private	"Lancaster"	Boston, Mass.
			Co. A, 60 Mass. Infantry	Rockland, Mass.

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<i>Post 101, Groveland</i>				
Charles J. Shute	Nov. 14	Master's Mate	U. S. S., "Tasso" and "Cumberland"	Newburyport, Mass.
<i>Post 102, Milton</i>				
Joseph F. Farrell	Jan. 29	Private	Co. G, 22 Mass. Infantry	Cambridge, Mass.
<i>Post 105, Upton</i>				
Willard Wood	May 19	Private	Co. F, 4 Mass. Heavy Artillery	Upton, Mass.
<i>Post 109, East Templeton</i>				
Chas. B. Garfield	Oct. 17	Private	Co. G, 53 Mass. Volunteers Co. F, 2 Mass. Cavalry	Rutland, Mass.
<i>Post 110, Randolph</i>				
Franklin Taylor	Feb. 4	Private	Co. E, 8 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
Peter E. Moore	Apr. 24	Private	Co. C, 102 N. Y. Infantry	Milford, Mass.
James M. Jones	May 25	Private	Co. E, 35 Mass. Infantry	Randolph, Mass.
Rufus I. Jones	Oct. 29	Private	Co. E, 35 Mass. Infantry	Randolph, Mass.
David Pope	Dec. 23	Private	Co. D, 4 Mass. Infantry	Ireland.
<i>Post 112, Norwell</i>				
Howard F. Mann	Oct. 22	Musician	Co. F, 43 Mass. Volunteers Co. I, 58 Mass. Volunteers	Hanover, Mass.
<i>Post 113, Boston</i>				
Oliver P. Ricker	Mar. 25	Second Lieutenant	Co. B, 39 Mass. Infantry	Pittsfield, Mass.
Wm. Park	July 30	Second Lieutenant	9 Mass. Battery	Boston, Mass.
F. S. McCausland	Sept. 19	Private	10 R. I. Infantry	Providence, R. I.
Lemuel Pope	Nov. 4	Private	U. S. Navy	Kingston, Mass.
Jas. D. Leatherbee	Dec. 21	Private	Co. E, 1 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
<i>Post 116, Gardner</i>				
John A. Byron	Apr. 5	Private	Co. G, 53 Mass. Infantry	Gardner, Mass.
William Putnam	July 2	Musician	Band, 1 Mass. Infantry	Gardner, Mass.
Fred W. Richardson	Aug. 9	Private	Co. C, 44 Mass. Infantry	Gardner, Mass.
<i>Post 118, Swampscott</i>				
Fred O. Ellis	Sept. 24	Private	Co. E, 45 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
S. P. Bancroft	Oct. 11	Private	Co. D, 8 Mass. Infantry	Boston, Mass.
<i>Post 119, Lexington</i>				
George D. Harrington	May 6	Corporal	Co. F, 22 Mass. Infantry	Lexington, Mass.
<i>Post 120, Lowell</i>				
Hiram E. Hartford	Jan. 12	Private	Co. H, 6 Mass. Infantry	Southfield, Me.
George E. Clagston	Mar. 31	Private	Co. A, 1 N. H. Heavy Artillery	Hollis, N. H.
Chas. F. Whitney	Oct. 26	Musician	Co. F, 2 Mass. Heavy Artillery	—
John H. Kennedy	Nov. 14	Private	Co. H, 10 N. H. Infantry	Goffstown, N. H.

<i>Post 123, Athol</i> Francis R. Thomas	Oct. 4	Private	.	.	.	Co. F, 31 Mass. Infantry	.	South Hadley, Mass.
<i>Post 125, Pittsfield</i> Jas. S. Moore	Jan. 29	Private	.	.	.	Co. B, 49 Mass. Infantry	.	West Stockbridge, Mass.
Wm. F. Hunt	Jan. 20	Master	.	.	.	S. S. "Winona"	.	Lubec, Me.
Chas. E. Johnson	Nov. 28	Sergeant	.	.	.	Co. I, 21 Mass. Infantry	.	Petersham, Mass.
<i>Post 130, Medway</i> George W. Bullard	Sept. 2	Private	.	.	.	16 Mass. Battery	.	Boston, Mass.
<i>Post 132, West Acton</i> D. H. Farrar	July 20	Private	.	.	.	Co. E, 6 Mass. Infantry	.	Acton, Mass.
<i>Post 139, Somerville</i> John H. Dusseault	Jan. 5	Private	.	.	.	Co. E, 39 Mass. Infantry	.	Cambridge, Mass.
George A. Meriam	Jan. 25	Lieutenant	.	.	.	Co. H, 39 Mass. Infantry	.	Londonberry, N. H.
Thomas J. Bufum	Oct. 25	Corporal	.	.	.	Co. F, 1 N. H. Heavy Artillery	.	North Berwick, Me.
George H. Clapp	Nov. 3	Private	.	.	.	Co. B, 13 Mass. Infantry	.	Scituate, Mass.
			.	.	.	Co. G, 18 Mass. Infantry	.	
<i>Post 144, Dedham</i> John E. Howlett	July 14	Private	.	.	.	Co. C, 32 Mass. Infantry	.	
<i>Post 146, Lawrence</i> Daniel J. Wilson	Jan. 22	Private	.	.	.	2 Mass. Sharpshooters	.	Saugus, Mass.
<i>Post 160, West Brookfield</i> Napoleon Lucius	Aug. 14	-	-	-	-	Co. H, 18 N. H. Infantry	.	Methuen, Mass.
<i>Post 165, Duxbury</i> James K. Burgess	Jan. 6	Sergeant	.	.	.	Co. B, 3 Vt. Light Artillery	.	Canada.
<i>Post 170, Mansfield</i> George A. Fiske	Feb. 12	Private	.	.	.	Co. E, 23 Mass. Infantry	.	Plymouth, Mass.
Adelbert R. White	July 28	Private	.	.	.	Co. H, 61 Mass. Infantry	.	Attleboro, Mass.
John Hannifer	Oct. 29	Private	.	.	.	26 Unattached Co.	.	Mansfield, Mass.
<i>Post 173, Sturbridge</i> Geo. N. Stone	June 23	Private	.	.	.	Co. F, 10 R. I. Infantry	.	Charlestown, Mass.
A. J. Barnard	Dec. 16	Corporal	.	.	.	Co. E, 4 Mass. Cavalry	.	Tolland, Conn.
<i>Post 179, Barre</i> T. Hanson White	Apr. 3	Sergeant	.	.	.	Co. D, 27 Conn. Infantry	.	Morris, Conn.
<i>Post 185, Lowell</i> Stephen Henry Jones	Mar. 18	Private	.	.	.	Co. K, 42 Mass. Infantry	.	Phillipston, Mass.
Charles F. Hosmer	Apr. 8	Surgeon	.	.	.	Co. G, 8 Vt. Volunteers	.	Northfield, Vt.
Geo. F. Tilton	May 16	Private	.	.	.	U. S. S. "Santiago"	.	Billerica, Mass.
Sylvester Farshley	June 3	Private	.	.	.	Co. D, 6 Mass. Infantry	.	Lowell, Mass.
			.	.	.	Co. B, 11 Mass. Infantry	.	-

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<i>Post 189, Marshfield</i> Charles F. Perry	Feb. 8	Private	Co. K, 38 Mass. Infantry	Attleboro, Mass.
<i>Post 190, New Bedford</i> William F. Caswell	Jan. 14	Private	Co. I, 3 Mass. Infantry	Fairhaven, Mass.
Abram L. Teachman	Aug. 2	Private	26 Unattached Co., Mass. Infantry	Taunton, Mass.
George Thomas	Nov. 17	Private	Co. H, 13 N. J. Infantry	Dartmouth, Mass.
Charles H. Hathaway	Dec. 18	Private	Co. B, 2 N. J. Infantry	Dartmouth, Mass.
<i>Post 191, Boston</i> John H. Mace	May 9	Private	Co. B, 2 N. H. Volunteers	Dover, N. H.
J. Wallace Jordan	Nov. 19	Private	Co. I, 5 Mass. Infantry	Portland, Me.
<i>Post 192, North Attleborough</i> John G. Hull	Nov. 27	Private	Co. H, 7 Mass. Infantry	- - - -
<i>Post 193, Avon</i> Stephen Frank Oliver	Sept. 14	Private	Co. A, 61 Mass. Infantry	East Stoughton, Mass.
<i>Post 199, Revere</i> Lewis L. Bullard	Apr. 1	Sergeant	Co. K, 23 Mass. Infantry	Wrentham, Mass.
William H. Blauvelt	Feb. 27	Private	Co. E, 57 Mass. Infantry	New York City.
<i>Post 203, Bourne</i> Samuel W. Morse	Aug. 4	Private	4 Mass. Cavalry	Wareham, Mass.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ENCAMPMENT

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Past Department Commander Ham, Post 2: "I move you that the reports of the several officers, which are in print, be placed on file without being read at this time." (Seconded and so voted.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "The following committees have been appointed:

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Wilfred A. Wetherbee, A. A. G.; George W. Green, Post 200; Helen A. Phinney, Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON COMMANDER'S ADDRESS

Alfred H. Knowles, P. D. C.; E. H. Lincoln, Post 125; Oscar A. Hillard, Post 3.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Henry A. Monk, P. D. C.; John A. Brackett, Post 146; Frederick H. Bishop, Post 88.

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

George M. Fiske, Post 62; Charles A. Brown, Post 88; Benjamin A. Ham, Post 2; Edwin F. Morrill, Post 156; John E. Bronson, Post 144.

COMMITTEE ON GREETINGS TO ALLIED ORDERS

Woman's Relief Corps. — Edwin F. Morrill, P. D. C.; John F. Hatch, Post 73; Oscar A. Hillard, Post 3.

Ladies of the G. A. R. — E. H. Lincoln, Post 125; John A. Brackett, Post 146.

Daughters of Union Veterans. — Wilfred A. Wetherbee, A. A. G.; Horace Goodwin, P. D. C., Post 16; Wallace Kenney, Post 68.

Sons of Union Veterans of Civil War. — Benjamin A. Ham, P. D. C.; Hiram A. Faunce, Post 110; James F. Flynn, Post 26.

Sons of Union Veterans Auxiliary. — Henri Batchelder, Post 156; J. F. Stoddard, Post 11; A. A. Rackliff, Post 90; Chas. L. Robinson, Post 4."

Commander: "Comrades, you have all heard your appointments on these committees, and will you please be prompt in the selection of your members, so that your nominations will be ready and we can act on the same without delay.

"Now, are there any resolutions to be offered? Now is your opportunity to submit resolutions. This must be a pretty peaceful encampment, as I hear no response."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Commander, I have some resolutions to offer — I have three. The one I will now read is in reply to a statement that was made in the *Boston Post* as part of a speech made by one Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic State Committee:

"Whereas Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, in a speech in Cambridge is alleged to have made the following remark in connection with the candidacy of a man for United States Senator, 'The Butler strategy is Grand Army politics;' and

"Whereas, Said Donahue, son of a veteran of the Civil War, knows there is no politics in the Grand Army, the remark alleged to have been made by him is a slur and an insult to the men who offered their lives in their country's defense, and by their service prevented the disruption of the United States and kept the country whole; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, in encampment assembled, resents the slurring remark, and demands that he state the reason for making the uncalled for and wanton statement alleged to have been made by him.

"The only politics in the Grand Army is loyalty to our Flag, our Country and its institutions."

Commander: "This resolution will be referred to the Committee on Resolutions."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I have another of a similar purport. A noted lawyer by the name of Clarence Darrow, in a speech made in the Boston City Club a short time ago, spoke as follows. I will read the resolution.

"Whereas, One Clarence Darrow, a prominent lawyer, in an address made at the Boston City Club, is alleged to have made the following statement: Abraham Lincoln, he termed as 'an adroit, shrewd, clever and selfish politician, about whom most of the things said are Mother Goose Rhymes, and who was not as great a person as most people think he was;'

"Resolved, That we, the comrades of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, who knew and came in touch with President Lincoln, know the accusations made are false and uncalled for; that no truer patriot, no more generous-hearted man, no greater friend to all the people, North or South, and no man more beloved by all who knew him than Abraham Lincoln ever lived; and we condemn to the limit such utterances from anyone, and believe that no loyal citizen would make them.

"Commander, I don't think either of these resolutions need be referred to the Committee on Resolutions."

Comrade Flynn, Post 26: "I move the suspension of the rules, and that both of the resolutions as read be adopted unanimously." (This motion is seconded.)

Past Commander Ham: "I would like to say a word on that last resolution. It seems to me that when a criminal lawyer who has gained his money from the criminal classes comes into Massachusetts and makes such a statement as that in relation to Abraham Lincoln, he ought to have the words of Abraham Lincoln quoted to him, — 'That the man who violates the law tears the Magna Charta of his own and his son's liberty' when he is defending the criminal classes. When he comes into Massachusetts to advise us what to do, or when he defends the criminal for gain, he stultifies himself after he has taken an oath as an officer of the courts to maintain the Constitution of the United States — stultifies himself by disobeying the very things he has taken an oath to maintain."

Commander: "Comrades, if the immortal address of President Lincoln is Mother Goose Rhymes, would to God there were more of them in the press today! The motion before this encampment is that these resolutions be not referred to our Committee on Resolutions, but that the rules be suspended and they be submitted to and voted upon by this meeting. Are you ready for the question?"

Comrade Lincoln, Post 125: "I move you, Sir, that it be done by a standing vote." (This amendment seconded.)

Commander: "The first question will be on the suspension of the rules. All in favor will signify by saying Aye; those opposed No. It is a vote. Now by a rising vote you may show your approval or disapproval of these resolutions. It is an absolutely unanimous vote that the acceptance and endorsement of these resolutions are approved. Comrades, I thank you."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Now, comrades, here is a resolution which is on another tack entirely. Thirty years ago the Legislature of Massachusetts elected a committee — or passed a Bill which appointed a committee — to compile a list of the names of the men who served in the Civil War from this Commonwealth. That work has been going on for 30 years, and is now completed and ready for the printer.

"The Legislature at that time made no appropriation for its printing, but a Bill has been introduced now for an appropriation for the printing of that report — or, at least, for a part of it. It is going to be quite a heavy expense to do the whole at once, and it has been deemed wiser to pay for it in five different years, \$20,000 each year. That will print 2,000 copies of the book, and there will be two volumes issued first.

"This resolution has been heard before the Military Committee and been accepted, and it has been before the Ways and Means Committee, but we have

not had a report from them as yet. It is a resolution drawn up to have the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, ask and urge the passage of the Bill. We told them at the hearing that it should be done while the comrades are here so they can see their record in print, — the name of every soldier who served from Massachusetts, and the story of his career. So this is the resolution:

"Whereas, Over thirty years ago provision was made by law for the compilation for purposes of publication of the records of the officers and soldiers, sailors and marines who served to the credit of Massachusetts in the War for the preservation of the Union; and

"Whereas, That compilation is now completed and is ready for the printer; and

"Whereas, The publication of these records has been recommended by the Governor of the Commonwealth, and the Resolve (Senate No. 80) providing for the printing and distribution of the first two volumes of the work has been approved by the Joint Committee on Military Affairs, and is now held under consideration by the House Committee on Ways and Means;

"Resolved, That we, the members of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, in annual Encampment assembled, respectfully and earnestly petition that Senate Resolve No. 80, providing for the printing and distribution of the first two volumes of these records, be favorably reported, and that said Resolve be enacted into law.

"We believe that the publication and distribution of these records is a sacred obligation which this Commonwealth owes to her sons who bore such an honorable and gallant part in the struggle that saved the Nation:

"To those who fought and lived,
To those who fought and died,
To those who gave much, and
To those who gave all."

"Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means and to the presiding officer of each branch of the Massachusetts Legislature."

Commander: "If there is no objection this resolution will be referred to the Committee on Resolutions, of which Comrade Monk is chairman. Now, are there any other resolutions to be submitted? Now is your time, and the Resolution Committee has but a very little to do. I certainly am very glad not to see a great number of resolutions, because it indicates to me that the Department of Massachusetts is pretty well satisfied with the rules and regulations as they are."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "It has been suggested, and I think it would be a nice thing to do, in view of the fact that our Army Nurses have all passed Over the River with one exception; and inasmuch as Mrs. Helen E. Smith is confined to her bed in a hospital in Worcester, that it would be a nice thing for the encampment to vote that she be sent some flowers from the Department. And I would move that some cut flowers be sent to Mrs. Smith, the only living Army Nurse in Massachusetts." (Motion is seconded.)

Past Commander Ham: "In addition to that I hope that the Assistant Adjutant-General will send a note conveying the good will of this encampment to our surviving Army Nurse."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "That will be done."

Commander: "I have a letter from the Mayor in regard to the distribution of flags on Memorial Day, and I have asked Comrade Flynn to represent me."

Comrade Flynn, Post 26: "I think this is a matter of interest to all Commanders in Suffolk County, and with your permission I will read the letter.

"JAMES H. WEBB.

"DEAR SIR:— My attention has been directed to the fact that there is some dissatisfaction with the allotments for the observance of Memorial Day, and the decoration of graves on that day.

"I am extremely desirous that no injustice be done any organization, and that the patriotic defenders of our country be accorded evidence of the esteem and affection which they should occupy in the hearts of their beneficiaries, the American nation.

"A conference has been arranged to be held at the office of the Mayor, City Hall, Boston, Tuesday, April 8, at noon, for the purpose of considering the program that may serve as a guide and standard for the future; and I trust you will make it a point to be present.

"Now I take it it is to the interest of Commanders of Suffolk County Posts to be there also, as they may have something to say about it."

Commander: "That is simply a matter of Boston Posts. And Mayor Curley has called together the heads of the departments in that county to make an equal distribution of money in respect to flags. And I have nominated Comrade Flynn to be my representative at this hearing before the Mayor."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I have another announcement to make. Tomorrow afternoon at the close of our session we shall hold our usual banquet, which is to be held this year in Ford Hall, upstairs from Kingsley Hall where we have met many times."

A Comrade: "I wish to ask if the Assistant Adjutant-General has received any communication from Cincinnati in regard to hotels and lodging-houses and their prices?"

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I am going to tell about that this afternoon when more comrades may be present. However, I will give my information now just as well, and then repeat it. The hotels in Cincinnati have agreed not to raise their prices; they will be the same as always. Headquarters is to be at Hotel Gibson for the Grand Army and the Relief Corps. Daughters of Union Veterans, Ladies of the G. A. R., Sons of Union Veterans and Sons' Auxiliary will be at the Hotel Sinton, almost directly across the street from the Gibson. They are both fine hotels.

"There are a lot of smaller hotels, and rooms may be had in private and rooming-houses at from a dollar upwards. Prices at the best hotels will run from \$4 up to \$7 and \$7.50 for some rooms. You will receive an Order pretty soon from the Department, within a week or ten days now — telling you how to write to secure accommodations.

"Now as to the trip. I have conducted these trips for you Boys for the last twenty-four years, and I have got to the end of my limit; I don't feel that I can stand it to do it any longer; I could go through with it, but I don't want to. It is a heap of work to arrange for the care and welfare of 200 or 300 people, and see that everything is prepared so that when you get there all you have to do is to walk in and sit down; and then after getting you there begin to make arrangements for coming home.

"So I called the heads of the various allied organizations together, and after talking it over I was authorized to take charge of the matter and engage a Tourist Agency to do the work, which I have done. They have made a report to me — although not fully settled yet, but will be soon — whereby they will take the people from Boston to Cincinnati, giving you food and fares on the cars, — your fares on the cars and your food going as far as Staunton, Virginia, which is going through country where you marched back and forth for four years. At Staunton we shall take autos and go up to Grand Cavern, which is one of the finest curiosities in the world; they claim it is far ahead of Mammoth Cave. Returning to Staunton we take the train for Washington, reaching there Saturday night, staying there over Sunday, and you can go wherever you please, as we have no regular itinerary there; and you make your own prices there.

"Monday morning we shall take motor buses and go to Gettysburg, through all that territory again and through Frederick, passing Barbara Freitchie's and all those places of interest, visiting Gettysburg, with dinner at the Gettysburg Hotel, and back to Washington, staying there until Tuesday morning when we take the train for Boston, and the fare for all that (and I have not mentioned anything about expenses in Cincinnati — that will be extra — just whatever you want to make

them); but your food going and coming and your railroad fares, sleeping-cars and everything of that sort will be less than \$100. It is a remarkably cheap trip considering what you will see. That is what has been laid out now, and probably what will be the decision to accept.

"I hope it will come within the province of every comrade who can — to go. It will be the last time, probably, that you will have the chance to go to Gettysburg, and it is to be over new country as well as the battle-grounds in Virginia. I question very much if you will ever have another chance, at any rate not for any such money as this will cost you. Another thing, — if any of you want to stay in Washington more than one day and two nights, you can do so by paying the extra cost for your room and board in the Raleigh Hotel, one of the best there."

Officer of the Day: "I would like to ask, — if any comrade wants to go to Cincinnati, is he compelled to go on that excursion, or can he go as he likes?"

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Surely, and the different railroads will have different trips. Of course if you go on our trip it will be in the special train; otherwise you may have three or four changes to make on the road, and you will be pretty lucky if you don't have to make some of them in the night. And you cannot go any cheaper. So you are not going to save anything. Then, too, you are getting away from your party."

"If you don't wish to go with the party, but wish to come on the train by yourself, you can do it and the proper discount will be made. I have given you the price from Boston. The price from each town will be proportionate; from Springfield, for instance, it will be less than it is from Boston."

Comrade Flynn: "All those here present who are going to take in the whole show will rise. (This is indicated.) Now, what arrangements have been made for those who do not want to go to Gettysburg or Washington? Can they come back on any train?"

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Yes, only you will have to change cars two or three times, — at New York, New Haven, and again at Springfield in order to get to Boston. Our train will run through without change."

A Comrade: "Why is it they always have yellow ribbon on the badges lately? I don't know of any comrades who have become yellow. I think the color should be changed; almost all we get now have the yellow ribbon on."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "You have paraded for years since the adoption by the Grand Army of the Republic under a yellow flag. There is the blue for Posts and the red for Departments. Then there is the yellow for National. This is a national encampment and we have to use yellow ribbons. I got them up for a good many years myself, but have not personally done so lately; but so far as yellow is concerned it shows you are going to a national encampment."

"I move that we adjourn until two o'clock this afternoon."

(At 11.45 the encampment adjourned until 2 o'clock P.M.)

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Commander: "Comrades, the hour has arrived to which we adjourned, and I now declare the encampment open for any business that may come before it."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Commander, I am informed by the comrade appointed chairman of the committee to nominate members of the Council of Administration that he is unable to find but one of the committee, and I am going to suggest that the members get together again now and settle their business right away, so as to make a report this afternoon."

Comrade Charles L. Robinson, Post 4: "Commander, I move that we proceed to the election of officers for the ensuing year." (The motion is seconded.)

Comrade Mitchell, Post 121: "I rise to nominate Senior Vice-Commander Alvin C. Howes of Post 8 of Middleborough for the office of Commander."

Comrade Fuller, Post 8: "I move that the Assistant Adjutant-General be authorized to cast one ballot bearing the name of Alvin C. Howes as Commander of this Department."

(The motion is put, and there being no objections it is so ordered.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "In accordance with the wish of this Encampment I deposit this ballot bearing the name of Alvin C. Howes of Post 8 as Commander."

Commander: "Allow me to congratulate you, Comrade Howes, upon your unanimous election; and, comrades, permit me to present to you your newly elected Commander." (Applause.)

Commander-elect Howes: "The expected has happened. Naturally I expected to be your next Commander, and, comrades, I thank you for the honor that you have conferred upon me; for it is an honor, and in appreciation of it I can simply say this, — that I recognize the importance of this my promotion, and in consideration of it promise you for the next year the best that is in me as your Commander. I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: "Nominations for the office of Senior Vice-Commander are now in order."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "I nominate Comrade Waldo Turner, of Post 58, for the office of Senior Vice-Commander."

Commander: "Are there any other nominations?" (No response.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Then I will myself move that the Assistant Adjutant-General (laughter) cast one ballot bearing the name of Comrade Waldo Turner as Senior Vice-Commander."

(This motion is seconded and carried.)

Commander: "Comrades, you have heard the motion. Those in favor will signify by saying, Aye; those opposed, No; it is a vote."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "The Assistant Adjutant-General will now deposit one ballot bearing the name of Comrade Waldo Turner for the office of Senior Vice-Commander."

Commander: "Comrades, you have elected Comrade Turner as your Senior Vice-Commander. Comrade Turner."

Comrade Turner: "Comrades, I thank you for your suffrages in permitting me to step up onto the second round of the official ladder. I feel sure that I shall have your support, and shall do the best I know how to do — and that is all the angels can do." (Applause.)

Commander: "The next in order is the election of Junior Vice-Commander."

Past Commander A. H. Knowles, Post 36: "Commander, I desire to nominate as Junior Vice-Commander a comrade who lives in the western part of our Commonwealth. But he comes to us well recommended and of good report by the comrades of his Post, which he has been commander of several years. He is a business man of good standing, in excellent health, endowed with a high degree of common sense, and well equipped with those virtues necessary for a successful Department Officer. I think it would be fitting to have one Department Officer from that section of the State from which he hails; I therefore nominate Comrade Edwin H. Lincoln of Post 125 of Pittsfield."

Comrade Robinson, Post 4: "And I second the nomination."

Comrade Farnum E. Sawin: "I am Commander of Post 125, and I rise to second the nomination of Comrade Lincoln in behalf of the Post."

Commander: "You have heard the nomination for Junior Vice-Commander."

(It is moved the nominations be closed; also that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast one ballot, etc.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "In accordance with your motion I cast one ballot bearing the name of Edwin H. Lincoln as Junior Vice-Commander, and I will add that he is a mighty good fellow."

Comrade Lincoln: "Comrades, I thank you for this honor, and shall do the best I can in serving you."

Commander: "Nominations are in order for the position of Medical Director for the ensuing year."

Past Commander Ham: "I move you, sir, that the present incumbent, Dr. John Gilbert of Post 46, Fall River, be re-elected for the coming year." (Seconded.)

Comrade Robinson, Post 4: "I move that the Assistant Adjutant-General be empowered to cast one ballot, etc."

Commander: "Are there any further nominations? It is moved that nominations close, and that one ballot be cast for Dr. Gilbert. Those in favor, those opposed. It is a vote."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "In accordance with your vote I hereby cast one ballot bearing the name of Dr. John Gilbert for the office of Medical Director for the ensuing year."

Commander: "You have elected by this ballot, to serve you again, a competent physician, and if anything ails any one of you all you have got to do is to go down to Fall River, and Dr. John Gilbert, your Medical Director, will take care of you."

Dr. Gilbert: "I don't think it is necessary for me to say anything. I am interested in the Grand Army, and I thank you very much for this particular manifestation of your regard and for the honor you have conferred upon me."

Comrade Rupert J. Chute: "Commander and comrades, it has been my privilege to stand here a number of times and put in nomination a splendid comrade for the office of Chaplain of this Department of the Grand Army. He is a retired Baptist minister and one who has served us faithfully; therefore I desire to nominate for the office of Chaplain my comrade, Rev. George W. Nead of Post 169 of Norwood, who has served us efficiently for many years." (The motion is seconded.)

Commander: "Are there any other nominations for Chaplain? If not, I declare them closed."

Comrade Chute: "I now move that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast one ballot bearing the name of Comrade Nead as your Chaplain for the ensuing year." (And it is so voted.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "In accordance with the vote just taken I hereby deposit one ballot as instructed."

Chaplain Rev. George W. Nead: "Comrades, I am always at your service. You have honored me — I think this is the eighth time, but I want to say that I am not tired of serving you the best I can. I am glad to see such a good representation of comrades at this Encampment, and it augurs well for an excellent turnout on Memorial Day. Therefore it is that I am always proud of the Boys in Blue; and I see most of those present are wearing not only the Blue but gray also, and it is a great combination, isn't it? Well, let us keep in step and carry on the best we can, and may God's blessing be constantly bestowed upon the Grand Army of the Republic."

Past Commander Ham: "Your Committee met and unanimously recommends the following names for Council of Administration: Comrade Charles L. Robinson of Post 4 of Melrose; Comrade Boyd of Post 62 of Newtonville; Comrade Bishop of Post 88 of Quincy; Comrade Mitchell of Post 121 of Hyde Park; and Comrade Batchelder of Post 156 of Everett."

Past Commander Alfred H. Knowles: "I move that this list of names as read be accepted and adopted, and that the Assistant Adjutant-General cast one ballot bearing these names."

(The motion seconded; the question put, and it is so voted.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "In accordance with your vote as you have heard I hereby deposit one ballot bearing the names of the aforesaid nominees for Council of Administration."

"I will now announce the names of delegates and alternates, as submitted by the chairman of the joint committee appointed to nominate the same:

"*District No. 1.* — Edward Hague, Post 46, Fall River; alternate, John V. Spare, Post 190, New Bedford.

"*District No. 2.* — Joshua S. Gray, Post 74, Rockland; alternate, Jason Hersey, Post 74, Rockland.

"*District No. 3.* — John E. Bronson, Post 144, Dedham; alternate, Prince Phinney, Post 143, Brookline.

"*District No. 4.* — David King, Post 15, Boston, and George L. Hall, Post 2, South Boston; alternates, James A. Sawyer, Post 92, Brighton, and James Flynn, Post 26, Roxbury.

"*District No. 5.* — Charles Peel, Post 49, Newburyport, and Isaac Baker, Post 34, Salem; alternates, Henry B. Wallis, Post 89, Beverly, and Charles W. Smith, Post 49, of Newburyport.

"*District No. 6.* — Charles L. Robinson, Post 4, Melrose, and Francis J. O'Reilly, Post 56, Cambridge; alternates, Henry Whitemore, Post 29, Waltham, and W. C. M. Howe, Post 194, Reading.

"*District No. 7.* — A. A. Buxton, Post 19, Fitchburg, and George W. Corey, Post 168, Southbridge; alternates, Augustus Wright, Post 10, Worcester, and E. L. Jaynes, Post 10, of Worcester.

"*District No. 8.* — John R. Sears, Post 174, Greenfield; alternate, Farnum E. Sawin, Post 125, Pittsfield.

"Delegate-at-large, Henri Batchelder of Post 156, Everett; alternate, Charles Newell of Post 7, Boston.

"This report is signed by the Chairman of the Committee, and I move that the Assistant Adjutant-General be empowered to cast one ballot for the list of names as reported." (Seconded.)

(The question is put, and it is so voted.)

Commander: "I now declare these comrades elected as delegates to the National Convention at Cincinnati, and I trust that they all will be sure to go.

(The National Commander-in-Chief enters.)

"Comrades, your Commander-in-Chief. Attention! (Applause.)

"Comrades, it is a long while since we have had a Commander-in-Chief here in Massachusetts, and let's give him three cheers. (Cheers are given.)

"Now, it is my privilege to present to you one who needs no introduction, and I am simply going to say to you — Here is Commander-in-Chief Foster!"

Commander-in-Chief Edwin J. Foster of Worcester:

"Department Commander Webb, my Adjutant-General here, I will have to introduce because I am afraid he is a little bashful; stand up and let them see you!

"Comrades, I am glad to get home again, though I am having a pretty rough time today. I got about two hours' sleep, having left Providence after midnight, but I feel happy today to think I can come back to my old home.

"Now, we haven't got very much time. We started in this morning, and after getting a little lunch, we went up to see the Governor, and then the Mayor, and then over to the Navy Yard; and have a few more places to visit before this evening.

"But there is one thing I want to speak to you about now, and that is our Pension Bill, — that it has passed the Senate, and we have reason to believe that it will pass the House; and if it does, without any change or compromise during the process, it will read as follows: All comrades who are now getting \$65 a month will get \$72, and comrades who are in need of a regular attendant will get \$125; and that also will apply to those who are totally blind.

"Our widows will get \$50 a month, if married previous to 1920. We accepted that, thinking it would be the nearest we could get to it; and I think that is doing pretty well.

"I met the President; indeed, I have met him twice, and someone has said to me, 'What did he say?' Well, he didn't have much to say, and he did not seem to be embarrassed a bit. And further than that, I am going to tell you that I was not embarrassed when talking to him, because I felt I was discussing a subject my heart was in; so I felt perfectly 'at home.'

"So I am going to give you my opinion, which is that if that Bill passes the House the President will sign it. And if it does it will give to comrades who are getting \$72 — all of them — the opportunity of putting in their papers for an increase when the time comes that they will be entitled to the \$125, when they have to have a regular attendant.

"I think this will be probably the last we shall ever have occasion to ask from our government. I presume that most of our comrades here today know the number of our losses during February, which was 1,074 comrades and 1,806 widows, making a total of 2,880 that passed away in 28 days, over one hundred a day. Of course that speaks for itself, and makes us understand this fact, that we must realize we have not got much longer to remain.

"We are being treated in a splendid way, not only by our fellow citizens but by those who were in the Spanish and World Wars; they all seem to appreciate and realize that we have set an example for them; and God knows we hope that they will keep in mind the fact of what we did do; and if they do they will have the same attentions when the time comes in future years, following the precedent that we have been recognized by all the people of the land.

"Now, I told you that the Bill had passed the Senate, and now I am making a struggle and an effort to bring to all our organizations the fact that we need them to write — and we need every comrade to write to his Congressman, every one in the districts, — to write when he gets home tonight — not tomorrow! Or get somebody to write for you, sending your name and urging the particular Congressman to support that Bill.

"As I asked an organization today, — every lady who will agree to do this stand up and hold up your hands. But don't think I would like to have you do as one lady did. She came up to me and said, — 'Commander-in-Chief Foster, suppose I should write a letter to my Congressman; he doesn't know me.' No, he may not, but he knows that the one who signed that letter is a voter, and that is all there is to it. So, comrades, I want you to take that thought home, because we need you; for, as I told the ladies in one of our organizations, — If you don't do this and that Bill does not pass, why, don't blame me!

"Take the idea home with you, and make up your mind that you have got to put your shoulder to the wheel and help to get that feeling in the national House so that they will pass that Bill. I have received promises enough in Washington in the three times I have been there already to almost satisfy me that the Bill will pass unanimously, and yet one cannot tell; for a man may tell you he is going to vote your way, but you don't see the ballot that he puts into the box. You have got simply to rely on the supposition that he will be as honest to you as you have been to him.

"I have heard good reports from this Commonwealth since I have been at work, and I have enjoyed having as my Adjutant-General one who possesses the highest respect of his comrades here in this State. I have been proud of him, and I am proud still because I think he is one of the best we have in this country today. (Applause.) And I will say further that my Assistant Adjutant-General is a very competent man, one who has proved himself an efficient Department Commander during the year just closing, and who has made a great success of it. I am proud of him because he has co-operated with me, and we have worked harmoniously for the cause we love. Therefore it is that I am so proud as I go around and tell them we are from Massachusetts; that is the way I feel about it.

"I have not said all I would like to, because I was also fortunate enough to have the good sense to appoint Helen A. Phinney to take charge of my affairs as my secretary, and she is today acting and present with you as the representative of your Assistant Adjutant-General — as his clerk. (Applause.) So we are a harmonious family, and I greatly appreciate it.

"Now, I cannot say anything more, because I seem to hear a whisper behind me that says, 'Don't talk too long here, just because you are at home.' But I am going to say that I shall probably have another opportunity, and if I do I can add some things I have not mentioned this afternoon. But I want to say again that you look good to me; God bless every one of you, and I hope you will have just the best time here that you ever had. I thank you." (Applause.)

Officer of the Day: "There is a representative from the Governor of the Commonwealth in the waiting-room, — Honorable William S. Youngman."

Commander: "Comrade Ham will kindly escort the Lieutenant-Governor to this platform. (The Lieutenant-Governor enters.)

"Comrades, we seem to be 'driven' now with business, though you know it has been rather 'easy' during the session. Now we have present a representative from His Excellency the Governor, Honorable William S. Youngman, Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth, who has a few words to say to you. All up!" (All stand at attention.)

Lieutenant-Governor Youngman: "Commander Webb, Commander-in-Chief Foster, distinguished guests and comrades, I bring to you the greetings of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and also the greetings of my chief, His Excellency, Frank G. Allen, Governor of Massachusetts.

"That is the formal part of it; the personal part is this: I am present as a son of a Union veteran, member of Dudley Camp No. 89, Sons of Union Veterans. I am also here in another capacity; along with Ex-Governor Fuller we represent the only two sons of veterans that have held the position of Lieutenant Governor in the last 25 years, and like Ex-Governor Fuller I have hopes that I may get my promotion the same as he did! (Applause.)

"I am also a veteran of the Spanish and World Wars, and think I can speak — and I try to act — with sympathy and understanding to veterans. I have favored all the veterans' legislation that the Grand Army of the Republic has wanted ever since I entered the Legislature some years ago. I served the Commonwealth for four years as State Treasurer, and took care of those younger veterans; there were over 200,000, all veterans of the World War, in the military department of the State.

"Now, I think you men are to be congratulated that you can meet today in this Cradle of Liberty in the year of our Lord 1930. It is to be a memorable year; it is the 300th anniversary of the founding of Boston by the Puritans; it is the 150th anniversary of the adoption of the constitution of Massachusetts, which was and is the first constitution ever adopted of a written form of government for a sovereign State. The 'Pilgrim Fathers' in the cabin of the 'Mayflower' had signed a compact for their government, but they had no charter or anything to enable them to set up a sovereign State; Massachusetts paved the way, just as they sent out the minute-man of '61, and you will be interested to know of something that is going to happen to remind you, perhaps, of the days of 1892 when you gathered such a representation of the Grand Army in Washington for that wonderful parade, and that is the National Convention of the American Legion that is to be held in Boston in October. They are undoubtedly going to have the greatest gathering of veterans of the World War ever mobilized since that event. We have had applications for sleeping accommodations for over a thousand men from Kansas City alone, and that is but a sample of what is coming.

"And I think that you as Massachusetts men, whether you enlisted from this Commonwealth or not, will be interested to know of another angle with respect to the event which will give you a thrill. It is this, that when the invitations were sent out to these Posts, and the question asked how large a delegation would be sent; and they were also asked what particular form of entertainment their men were most interested in, the greater number of replies came like this: We want guides to show them the way to Provincetown, and down on Cape Cod; to Great Barrington in the Berkshires for another excursion, or to some town or city in Essex or Worcester or other counties. Because, they would say, a grandfather or great-grandfather, or grandmother or great-grandmother of this or that particular boy had come from that Massachusetts locality. They want to look up some of those ancestors and the ancestral homes of those who left Massachusetts many years ago; and the wonderful part is that the old Bay State, our beautiful villages with their white houses and green commons and great elms are still enshrined in the hearts of descendants of Massachusetts men and women, even after four or five generations; and they want to take this occasion to come back and try to re-live some of the scenes memorable to their ancestors.

"What does that prove? It proves that Massachusetts is not only the Mother State to us but is still looked upon as the Mother State of a hundred thousand men and women, and boys and girls all over these United States, even to the islands of the sea!

"Now, we are going to give them a great reception, — the way the Grand Army used to run it years ago. And, by the way, the American Legion has not yet got up to the Grand Army of the Republic — they have got a lot to learn; but we have got something especially good and specially characteristic of Massachusetts to show them. Thanks to our Admiral over at the Navy Yard there, Admiral Andrews, Massachusetts people have voluntarily put the old frigate

'Constitution' afloat again. Over in England they did not do so good a job on the 'Victory' that Nelson commanded at the battle of Trafalgar, but set their ship in concrete; we replaced the timbers of our hull with oak, and our ship is afloat again, and President Hoover is asked to recommend \$300,000 for masts and sails. Things cost more than when she was built in 1794; then that sum would have constructed the whole ship.

"And we want to have those sails bent on every spar, and every rope ready so that they can sail her down Boston Harbor when the Legion is here, in order to show them the patriotic interest Massachusetts has in its Institutions.

"And we have another little trick to pull off. We are rather proud of some Massachusetts men and families, and one of them is the Adams family. For several generations their voices rang in this old hall, and they furnished two Presidents. Now we have a direct descendant of those two in Charles Francis Adams, our Secretary of the Navy. Incidentally he is the greatest American amateur yachtsman, the only one to sail a yacht for the nation's cup, and we want to put him at the wheel of old 'Constitution,' and with the Marine Band on her; and if the Prince of Wales is over here we will have him stand at one side of Secretary Adams and President Hoover on the other. All this to show that Massachusetts appreciates her wonderful historic associations, and the splendid service of its men, such as you represent. Of course the seamen who fought on the 'Constitution' are gone years ago, because her greatest battle was fought in 1812 with the 'Guerrière.'

"Now, my friends, I hope you will look forward to this, and, wherever and whenever you can, give due publicity to the convention to be held here this fall. My great aim in public life, — and I am the only ex-soldier holding this executive office in 20 years, though I also hope I may be the beginning of several, — my great aim is to arouse the veterans of all wars, because the women auxiliaries — and I visit them today — are all united and working together for the one great patriotic purpose that your officers through all these decades have so ably carried forward.

"I have met your Commander Webb all over the State; I have met National Commander Foster, and it is the marvel of people the wonderful work you still carry on — more than 65 years after your war is over. Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and its Lieutenant-Governor salute you!" (Applause.)

Commander: "Comrades, in order to hear the Lieutenant-Governor and let him get away, we deferred listening to the next man who should have addressed you; but I shall now say that I am very proud to introduce Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Comrade Charles E. Nason of Maine."

Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief Nason: "Commander Webb and comrades, this is indeed a surprise to me. I came up from Maine this morning to stop over in Boston to get a little information and then sneak away, not dreaming for a moment I was to be brought into this Encampment and asked to say something. And after what you have listened to from our Commander-in-Chief I know there is little that I can say to interest you.

"It is certainly a pleasure to meet the comrades of Massachusetts. Your Lieutenant-Governor has reminded you of some history, but he omitted one thing, — namely, that the State of Maine was once a colony of Massachusetts, and we have the feeling for you that the offspring should have for its mother. And more than that, we know that every comrade of the Department of Massachusetts has down in his heart that same feeling of comradeship and fraternity for the soldiers of Maine that he has for his own Department. (Applause.)

"We are a comparatively small State; few of you perhaps realize that your city of Boston has more population than the entire State of Maine. Consequently we feel insignificant when we get to Massachusetts, so far as numbers go. And our Department is comparatively small alongside of yours, but every one of us has got the same spirit that you have got, and we are proud of the record we have made in the State of Maine, as you are proud of your record.

"We are proud of the fact that there is not today a schoolhouse in the State of

Maine where the American flag does not float over it; and that we as an organization have established that. We are proud that no primary school opens for the day without its pupils repeating the Pledge to the Flag. We are proud of the fact that we have taught the blessings of liberty, and continue to teach patriotism to coming generations; and we feel safe and secure, despite all the efforts of people who may try to undermine this government, that coming generations are going to show the same spirit of patriotism that we have shown. We fear no danger from aliens who may attempt to undermine our government, for we have planted the seed of patriotism in the hearts of our younger generations, and its growth cannot be retarded nor its influence be effaced.

"I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: "We have a number of distinguished visitors here, but they are in such a hurry to get away to some other organization that the Commander-in-Chief will now retire, and I ask the members of his staff to come forward and be his escort from the hall." (The entourage departs amidst applause.)

Past Commander A. H. Knowles: "Commander, your committee appointed on Commander's Address is ready to report at any time you desire."

Commander: "We will listen to that report."

Comrade Knowles: "Your Committee on Commander's Address have attended to their duties and beg leave to make their report as follows: We recommend the adoption of every item mentioned in the Commander's address; namely, \$1,200 for salary of the Assistant Adjutant-General; \$900 voted at the last encampment as salary for Headquarters Clerk; \$500 to defray traveling expenses of Department Commander, and of such other officers as he may detail to attend, to County Association meetings and other functions at which it may be desirous the Department be officially represented. Also a sufficient sum to maintain Department Headquarters and defray the traveling expenses of the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant-General at the next National Encampment.

"Your committee desires to compliment Department Commander James H. Webb for the splendid way and manner he has performed the duties of his office, which have been thorough in every way. At the same time he has exhibited those high ideals of good comradeship that have made him beloved by all his associates."

(Signed by the committee.)

Commander: "I wish to thank the Committee on Commander's Address for their very kind words. What action will you take on this report?" (It is moved that it be accepted and adopted, and it is so voted.)

Comrade David King: "I move you, sir, that it be the sense of this meeting that the Assistant Adjutant-General shall write a letter to our Representatives in Congress expressive of the sentiments of this assembly on the Pension question that the Bill be passed." (Seconded and so voted.)

Past Commander Monk: "The Committee on Resolutions have attended to that duty and are ready to report."

Commander: "We will listen to your report."

Past Department Commander Monk, Post 87: "We received one resolution only, relating to the printing and distribution of records of Officers, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines who served to the credit of Massachusetts during the Civil War. (After three 'Whereases,' as aforesaid):

"*Resolved*, That we, the members of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, in Annual Encampment assembled, respectfully and earnestly petition that Senate Resolve No. 80, providing for the printing and distribution of the first two volumes of these records, be favorably reported, and that said Resolve be enacted into law.

"We believe that the publication and distribution of these records is a sacred obligation which this Commonwealth owes to her sons who bore such an honorable and gallant part in the struggle that saved the Nation.

"To those who fought and lived,
To those who fought and died,
To those who gave much, and
To those who gave all."

"Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means, and to the presiding officer of each branch of the Massachusetts Legislature.

"Your Committee recommend that this resolution be adopted, and that the Assistant Adjutant-General be instructed to carry out its provisions."

Commander: *"You have heard the report of your Committee on Resolutions; what disposition will you make of it?"*

(It is moved that it be accepted and adopted, and so voted.)

"Is there any other business to come before this Encampment?"

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: *"I move that we take a short recess of ten or fifteen minutes, during which we can catch up on some of these matters."* (Referring to railroad ticket adjustment and to Banquet tickets, etc.)

(A short recess is taken, during which the comrades indulged in singing "Marching through Georgia.")

Comrade Turple of Post 58: *"I want to call the attention of this Convention to the fact that 65 years ago tomorrow General Lee surrendered at Appomattox, and I would like to know how many here were there 65 years ago?"* (Three comrades responded.)

Commander: *"It affords me sincere pleasure to introduce the Department Commander of the Grand Army of the State of Maine, Comrade Emerson."*

Commander Emerson: *"Commander and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, this is the first time I have ever attended a State Department of the Grand Army outside of the State of Maine, and I realize fully when I am here in this city that I am on historic ground."*

"Since my boyhood days I have read a great deal about Faneuil Hall, but this is the first instance of my being inside of this celebrated hall, and I assure you that deep memories of the past roll in upon me as I stand here at this time and look into your faces, my comrades of the Department of Massachusetts. Daniel Webster, in his famous reply to Senator Hayne in the United States Senate years ago, said: 'I have no encomiums to pronounce upon Massachusetts; she needs none. There she stands; behold her for yourselves; there is Lexington and Concord and Bunker Hill, and there they will remain forever.' And I think, if I am correct in my history, that the first blood that was shed in the great drama of the Civil War was by soldiers of the old 6th Massachusetts on the streets of Baltimore."

"I am not going to flatter you in the least when I say that no State of the Union, with the population and the wealth of Massachusetts, did more to give this Nation a 'new birth of freedom' than Massachusetts — excuse me, perhaps I ought to have excepted the State of Maine. (Laughter.)"

"Comrades, I bring the greetings of my State to you here today. Just for the time being I am honored to be at the head of my comrades of the State of Maine and of the Department of Maine, and I am pleased to come here today and look into the faces of men who bathed their swords and their bayonets in the smoke and flame of the enemy's guns that this Nation might live. And of all the wars in which we have been engaged, with due respect to the men who wore the Blue in former wars before the great drama of the Civil War, and of the men since who were in the Spanish and World Wars, — I will say that none equal the soldiers who saved this Grand Republic from going to pieces. I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: *"I feel quite honored, because I was once a Maine boy, that we should have three of her distinguished Grand Army men here to talk to us today; so I am pleased to present to you Comrade George W. Golding, Past Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of Maine."*

Past Commander Golding: *"Commander, comrades, and I cannot say ladies, though I can say lady; and I will add that she is not 'The Last Rose of Summer,' but, rather, an 'American Beauty!' (Laughter and applause.)"*

"Now, comrades, I am going to claim your attention for but a very brief time. You know that during the World War we were confined to four-minute speeches, and most of us could tell all we knew in two minutes."

"Comrades, it is a saying that when a man has attained a ripe old age his mind naturally wanders back to the scenes of his childhood, — to 'all the loved spots"

that his infancy knew;" and the mind of the old soldier naturally runs back to the tragic scenes of the Civil War, to the First Bull Run, where I saw Massachusetts regiments engaged in that miserable struggle; to Balls Bluff, where I also saw Massachusetts regiments driven into the Potomac through the fault of a Commanding Officer; down on the Peninsula under McClellan, commanding one of the most magnificent armies that ever stood on this continent, and I saw Massachusetts regiments distinguish themselves on many a field on the Peninsula.

"And when we came off the Peninsula, and up to assist General Pope out of his troubles; and, by the way, you may recall that celebrated Order of General Pope when he took command of the army, — that his headquarters would be in the saddle.

"And from there across the Potomac up through Frederick City, where Barbara Freitchie's house was, but which I did not happen to have the honor of seeing — and I think she was not to be seen on that day, anyway, as she was bedridden. Out over the range of mountains down through Middleton; up South Mountain range through Tennessee Gap; down to Antietam — the bloodiest day America ever saw. Then down the Potomac across to Harper's Ferry, up on Bolivar Heights and across to the Shenandoah at its confluence with the Potomac, to the base of the mountain heights to Ashby's Gap; thence on to the slaughter-pen of Fredericksburg; then the terrible disasters of Chancellorsville under Joe Hooker; and from there on to the immortal Battle of Gettysburg; then again down to Mine Run under General Meade.

"And through all those scenes I have witnessed Massachusetts regiments, but I happened to be in a regiment from the extreme northwestern part of this country at that time, — the 1st Minnesota regiment, and we were brigaded with two Massachusetts regiments.

"Now, comrades, I said I would be very brief. We came to realize that too long we had worn the silken glove, too long we may have wavered, and it was not until General Grant came in and braved the perils of a serious campaign that we got real results!

"Now, comrades, I thank you very much for the attention with which you have listened to me, and perhaps I may have the pleasure before I leave this city of meeting you again."

Commander: "I wish to present Past Commander White of the State of Maine."

A Voice: "What's the matter with Maine? — she's all right."

Past Commander White of Maine: "I think I am one of you, and sometimes I do not know whether I belong in Maine or Massachusetts, for I married in with the Massachusetts Grand Army of the Republic. But you have had so many speeches from my comrades from Maine that I think I will say God bless you, and not impose on you further."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "We are not going to adjourn, but when we do adjourn I move that it be until 9.30 tomorrow morning."

Comrade Lincoln, Post 125: "Commander, as a member of the Committee appointed this morning to present the greetings of this convention to the Ladies of the Grand Army, I wish to make my report. We have attended to our duties, and the ladies are likewise sending their greetings to this convention; for wherever there is an assemblage of ladies there are sure to be some of the Grand Army of the Republic."

Commander: "Is there any other new business? Have any of you anything to say? If there is nothing more to be said I will declare this session closed, and we will adjourn until 9.30 tomorrow morning."

(The Encampment adjourned at 3.45 P.M.)

SECOND DAY

9.30 A.M., FANEUIL HALL, APRIL 9, 1930

Commander James H. Webb: "Comrades, we were to open this Encampment at half-past nine o'clock, and I told you that the gavel would fall then; if we had had a quorum it would have been that way. However, we have no business

for the time being, and it seems to me that some one of you who was at Appomattox might tell the story, or else you may sit and converse until the delegations arrive. Is there any business ready to come before this Encampment?"

(Thereupon a delegation from the Spanish War Veterans' Auxiliary is announced, and escorted to the platform and introduced by Past Department Commander Edwin F. Morrill. They bring an abundance of flowers.)

Department President Anna B. Nagle: "Commander Webb, officers and comrades, I bring the greetings of the National Auxiliary, Department of Massachusetts Spanish War Veterans, and to express the good wishes of the patriotic women of our organization, almost 4,000 strong in Massachusetts alone.

"We pledge to you our assistance and co-operation in any of your undertakings requiring our help. We know you have several allied orders and comrades here, but I am sure we have many of you as honorary members of our organization, and we come today renewing our pledges of support. (Applause.)

"Commander Webb, in behalf of my organization I wish to leave with you a little token as a souvenir of our visit here today. I have met you several times in my position as Department President, and you have always greeted me kindly. Now, Sister Helen (addressing Mrs. Phinney, Department Clerk), we could not go away without bringing you something, and I am going to leave with you this souvenir with my personal love also — these flowers."

Mrs. Phinney: "Sister Nagle, this is the first time I have spoken in convention, but I think the Department Commander will allow it. I want to say to the comrades that Sister Nagle is a Daughter of a Union Veteran, and when I was the Department President she was my efficient secretary; and no better one ever served than she. And she is also a member of my Tent, and a good and loyal friend.

"I want to thank you, Sister Nagle, and don't know what to say; you always do such wonderful things, and I do appreciate this so very much."

Mrs. Nagle: "I have one more thing to say. We always admire some one person in an organization, and I don't know of anyone we admire more in the Grand Army than our own Comrade Wetherbee. I am sure that the friendship of Comrade Wetherbee has helped me greatly in my department work. And will you accept this — in token of my first visit, and accept it with the love and respect of a Daughter of a Union Veteran?"

Comrade Wetherbee: "Sister Nagle, I am surprised, but I am deeply grateful for this little token from you, for we have had very pleasant associations at Headquarters during the past years, and it has always been a pleasure to see your smiling face come in the door, and I trust we shall see it a good many times more. I assure you that anything we can do to advance the interests of your organization I shall be only too glad to promote."

Mrs. Nagle: "I did not feel like leaving this convention without leaving a remembrance to each comrade of your Encampment, so we have brought along some little bouquets, one for each, and may I pass them around the hall?"

(This kindly act is most graciously performed by the two ladies, and each comrade has a boutonniere pinned to his lapel, adding not a little to the good will and beauty of the scene.)

Commander: "It also affords me great pleasure to introduce the Chief of Staff of this visiting Auxiliary, Mrs. Alice E. Henderson."

Mrs. Alice E. Henderson, Chief of Staff, Spanish War Veterans' Auxiliary: "Commander and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, as you may realize in going along in patriotic work I have had a great many honors conferred upon me, but I will say that this is the highest, — to come before this Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. It will be a happy memory that I shall always cherish, and I want to congratulate you in having so many present so early in the morning. I thank you."

(A surplus of the tiny bouquets is left in the anteroom for comrades to help themselves.)

Officer of the Day: "A delegation from Tent 53 of Quincy is in waiting." (They are duly escorted to the platform.)

Commander: "I have the privilege of introducing President Lena D. Stuart of Rebecca Wiswell Tent 53."

President Lena D. Stuart: "Dear Commander — our own comrade. We come to you this morning with a great deal of love and with our best wishes flooding our hearts. Last year we came wishing you would have a successful year. You have had it, and we are so glad that our own comrade has been such a good Commander for his Department. And we bring you this little rose and this little package from your own Tent, and wish you many happy days in the future as Past Commander of the Grand Army."

Commander Webb: "You know how my feelings are likely to overcome me; but I thank you very much indeed — very much!"

(The other ladies of the delegation decline to address the Encampment, and after this presentation of a gift of gold the departure is made.)

Comrade James S. Mitchell, Post 121, Chief of Staff: "A year ago I was appointed Chief of Staff by my friend of some years' standing, Commander Webb. I appreciate the honor conferred upon me, and I have tried to obey all his orders. He has certainly been very lenient with me, and has not kept me very busy. I recognize, too, the labor that our Commander has put into his work; he has traveled up and down the State from the Berkshires to Cape Cod, instilling patriotism, inspiring enthusiasm in young organizations, encouraging old veterans to hold together, arguing for the interests of the County Associations; — he has done great work, and I think he can now retire with honor.

"Commander, you have a piece of paper which Uncle Sam turned over to you when you retired from active service, and which you prize very much — as we all do the same. And as you look at it the memory comes up of your service and how you tried to preserve the Union and serve your country to the best of your ability. And I have a little token here which your Aides wished me to turn over to you, and as you look upon that piece of paper I spoke of, and the memories flash back to you with pleasure and interest, look also upon this and think of the love and devotion which your comrades feel for you. And may you in the years to come keep this token from your Aides in mind; and may you, Commander, have many years remaining to you for your devotion to the Grand Army of the Republic, and may your life be spared with the good God watching over you; may the light of His kindness shine upon you and give you peace. I bestow this badge from your Aides."

Commander Webb: "Comrade Mitchell and comrades, years and years ago when we used to have camp fires that first began with our County Associations we had one in Quincy, and we had a large delegation present. This comrade here I had never met before, but we came back to Boston together — it was the Norfolk County Association; and before he retired he came over to my desk with a handful of bills and said, 'Take care of these and pay them over to the Relief Corps for dinner tickets. I thought it was an awful funny thing for him to do; I had never seen him before, but from that day to this we have been very dear comrades.

"Comrade Mitchell, I thank you, and I thank the members of my Staff — I thank you all."

Comrade Mitchell: "God bless you!" (Applause.)

(The arrival of a delegation from the Sons of Union Veterans is announced, and five members are escorted to the platform.)

Commander: "Comrades, I am very glad to present to you Past Commander Homans. You have heard him speak before, but I expect something even better this year."

Past National Commander-in-Chief Ernest W. Homans: "Department Commander, officers and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, no greater honor could be bestowed upon a member of the Massachusetts Department Sons of Union Veterans than to be selected one of the greetings committee to the Grand Army of the Republic Encampment. And it is indeed one of the greatest honors in my life to be privileged once again to come here, bringing you the greetings of our organization.

"It is very fitting that you should meet in this patriotic home, that has been

made possible by the blood and sweat of you men in the battles of the Civil War and in the industrial life of our country in the years that have followed. But what a flood of memories must come over you men upon this annual visitation at your Encampment. I have before me men who were born in the '40's, were boys in the '50's, who were soldiers of the Civil War in the '60's, who went through the Panic in the '70's and the more peaceful times of the '80's — and then the stirring days of the '90's and the Spanish War. After that a more peaceful and prosperous period, followed by the Civil War in another generation. And you men who have gone through all those years must, I say, be overcome, almost, by the flood of memories. You men whose minds can travel from the period of the horse and horseback riding to the automobile and the aeroplane; whose minds can go back to the slow carrying of messages by the courier in the saddle or on foot, and then bridge the gap to the crude telephone, to the telegraph and to the radio of today; whose minds go back easily to the time of the candle and kerosene light and come down to the wonderful electric lighting of today!

"And so your minds must be full of wonderful memories as you assemble here today, and I know on top of all those other memories you look around this historic hall and think of the days when it was packed full at your convention by your own comrades of the Grand Army.

"It is a remarkable experience and a privilege for one of the younger generation, one of your grandsons, to visit you in your annual Encampment this morning; and while words are futile to express the respect and devotion of the Sons of Union Veterans at this time, I want to assure you, comrades of the Grand Army, that when any man seeking cheap notoriety and publicity assaults the name and character of Abraham Lincoln, or any cheap politician makes slurring remarks about the Grand Army of the Republic, surely there will rise up Sons to defend the character of your commander-in-chief and your own organization. (Applause.)

"There are other and better speakers on my committee than myself, but I want to assure you of the love and loyalty of our order; and as long as there is a member of the Sons of Union Veterans, even to the third and fourth generation, your graves will be honored and your memory revered. I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: "Commander Homans, I want to say these few words: How the Son of a Veteran, or how any citizen of the United States could have referred to the Grand Army, or even utter such a sentiment as to call the statements made about our martyred President nothing but Mother Goose Rhymes — is beyond my comprehension; and we have passed resolutions condemning the utterances and declaring there was never any politics in the Grand Army of the Republic.

"I now have the privilege of presenting Past Commander-in-Chief Harry D. Sisson."

Past Commander-in-Chief Harry D. Sisson: "Commander and men of the Grand Army of the Republic, my heart wells up within me at this time as I recall the forty-odd years back that I have been visiting the Grand Army of the Republic in its annual Encampments. I presume that in the time I have been a member of the Sons of Union Veterans I have faced a similar congregation in this place more than twenty times; and I cannot help recalling, as the previous speaker has, those old days when all these seats were filled with those wearing the Blue.

"In that connection I am recalling now my father's regiment, the 49th Massachusetts, and I have been secretary of the reunion of the 49th Massachusetts for the past fifteen years, and there has not been in that time any member of that regiment who could find the time or command the dexterity to do the work of the secretaryship, and so I have been doing it. I have seen the reunions of that regiment reduce from something like 500 strong, the first time I attended, to our attendance last year, which was four; and we are going to have a reunion this year on the last Thursday in August, and it is my expectation there will be only two present of a regiment that went out a thousand strong. They were in the New Orleans Campaign out in Port Hudson, — were out a year and the 'Rebs' didn't get many of them, but disease did, and they came back with one of the largest records of mortality in the history of Massachusetts soldiery.

"And yet, in my forty years' experience in connection with them, I have never seen many soldiers who served in the Civil War afraid to die; and I sometimes

feel that they are dying with full comprehension of a duty well done, which alone can lend satisfaction to the afternoon hours of our lives.

"Today I congratulate you men on having lived through teeming days of civilization, increasing in fullness since the Civil War. My own father lived from the period of the tallow-dip to the day of the electric light; he reached in his experience from the ox-cart as a means of transportation to the locomotive and the automobile. He used the telephone, though he did not live to see the aeroplane.

"So it is that you have lived in a most wonderful age in the history of the world, and that I know lends a feeling of satisfaction to the evening hours of life. I am mighty glad to see so many present at this Encampment today, and must congratulate you on electing one of my neighbors, Brother Lincoln, to the office of Junior Vice-Commander. He is a live wire yet, and you made no mistake in your selection. I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander: "Allow me to present Brother Bronson, another Past Commander of the Sons of Union Veterans."

Rev. A. A. Bronson: "Commander Webb and veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, — Abraham Lincoln was a lover of God and of man, and the language that he left to men was the language of love, — love from a human heart for humankind, which carried that language down into the annals of our American history until today it is part and parcel of the contribution that has been made in finest form of the heart and hand of man.

"And you who are here today as survivors of that great civil strife in the crucial years of our American constitution may well be glad in your hearts in these remaining years that there lingers in the hearts of your sons a remembrance of the service and sacrifices of their sires.

"We come today with gratitude for the ministrations you performed in the history of the United States, exemplified in the folds of that flag and the regnant ideas of freedom pictured there, — freedom for humankind; and we owe it to you that the constitution under which we live, and these other civilizing influences so abundant today, are a dominating factor in our government, and we believe they will dominate to the end of time, — a contribution you made not only to our country's history but to the world, which today pays homage to the sacrifices of the Grand Army of the Republic.

"Comrades of the Grand Army, I live in a community — the little village of Templeton — where there remains but one member of Post 109, and yet that man moves through the lanes and byways of that town carrying the homage and respect of citizens as no other man carries it; and when Charles W. Nichols shall have passed away from that community we shall have lost the last survivor of that band which made the supreme sacrifice in the performance of duty. And may I add that when the devoted breath has gone from his body the Sons of Union Veterans will perform their duty in order that his charter shall not be put in the State House until he has passed from the scenes of life.

"So I come here today thankful for the ministry of men and thankful for the devotion and service you rendered, and may God bless in the days that come the memory of what you did in behalf of your country and your fellowmen." (Applause.)

Past Department Commander H. Harding Hale: "Commander of this convention, and comrades — our fathers! Personally I have special gratification here and now. I have been looking over these good faces in search of a familiar one, and a moment ago I had the great and pleasant surprise to note one from my father's own regiment, who still comes to this annual Encampment, still representing the good old regiment, the 45th Massachusetts Volunteers.

"I suppose I felt as many of our Sons of Union Veterans have felt, as we have visited and traveled over the fields of Gettysburg and of Lookout Mountain and of Petersburg, coming close to those critical but successful struggles through which you passed when quelling the Rebellion; and we come back home from those fields profoundly impressed with all you dared and did to save the Union.

"I was in Richmond two or three years ago in lovely May time, and I visited the Confederate Veterans' Museum, and while observing the trophies of the struggle of '61 to '65 I noticed a little picture, the portrait of a young girl, sweet-

faced and innocent, perhaps 16 or 17 years old; and I turned to the attendant and said, 'What is the story of that picture?' 'Why,' he said, 'that was picked up on one of our battlefields; we found it over the heart of a young boy soldier.' And a few weeks ago, he added, 'a group of people came through from Minnesota, and a boy stopped before this same picture, and after gazing upon it a moment turned to me and said, "That is a picture of my mother!"'

"And there it seems was the tragedy of a boy soldier who had come down from Minnesota, leaving his sweetheart behind him, but carrying her picture — to remember her love and devotion.

"And I think, as we remember the fathers, we should also remember the mothers who stood at the thresholds and sent their soldier boys to battle, their hearts going with them, beating with a great loyalty to save the Union.

"I thank you for this opportunity of greeting you. Long may you live to continue these Encampments, and may the spirit you have implanted in your Sons never die!" (Applause.)

Commander: "I have the honor to present Comrade Taylor of Worcester, Camp No. 25."

Loring Taylor: "Comrades of my father, no greater pleasure could be bestowed upon me than to be chosen to come here today. Your National Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Foster, is a member of my Camp, and I want to say to you that we are very proud of him.

"The speakers preceding me have taken out of my mouth some of the words that I might say, but we are all of one accord — we wear the badge that is only worn because our fathers made sacrifices; and if that badge amounts to anything, these men here have the imprint of that Flag on their hearts, and we are here to see that it shall never dim or die." (Applause.)

Commander Webb: "Gentlemen, permit me to say to you before you retire that I deeply appreciate the honor you confer upon us by coming here. And personally I would like to convey to you my greetings, and wish from my heart that the Sons of Union Veterans may enjoy their present convention to the full. It seems to me that when we are growing old our children are the ones that should help take care of us, and for the kindly words you have uttered I cordially thank you. (Applause.)

(The arrival of a delegation from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic is welcomed with applause.)

"Comrades, it is my privilege and great pleasure to introduce to you Mrs. Emma F. Thurlow, Past Department President of Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and I want to say to you that I attended the reception they gave us last night, and it is wonderful how they have grown, — not only in numbers but in good looks."

Mrs. Emma F. Thurlow: "Commander, officers and comrades of the Grand Army, I have been here so many times that it seems as if I could almost come in my sleep, although I usually do get lost when I visit Boston. But when our Department President asked me if I would go to the Grand Army of the Republic I said yes, because I always consider it an honor so to do. We have a great many pleasures when extending greetings to the Departments. One of the bright things is to come here and extend to you the greetings and very best wishes from our Department. Some of your members were with us yesterday, bringing greetings to us, — some of the younger boys who, like myself, are growing older every day. But we are not going to look at it that way, but go on as long as we can.

"I think we have in Newburyport a man who calls himself the 'youngest comrade' in the State, if not in the United States, and that is Comrade Charles W. Smith (who enlisted in the Navy at 10 years of age), and we feel very proud we have that honor.

"My father served in the Civil War from '61 to '65, and, as I have told you before, I was born on the battlefield. I really feel that I am a daughter born under two flags. My people are Northern people, but I am a Virginian by birth and a Northerner by acclimation.

"We have with us our National President, and I know she will be glad to address you, but before presenting her I am going to hand to you a little token from our

Department, and it is sent with love and our very best wishes. I would also like to speak to Comrade Wetherbee, but do not seem to see him here.

"Now I have great pleasure in introducing to you our National President, Mrs. Cora W. Rowling."

Mrs. Cora W. Rowling: "Department Commander and my comrades of the Grand Army, I want to tell you first how nice you all look this morning, each with that beautiful red flower on your coat lapel; it is a beautiful sight.

"And this is the first time I have had the pleasure of entering this historic hall, and it gives me a thrill to think I am taking part in your convention here. I stepped over from Ohio to bring you the greetings of our national body, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic whom I have the honor to represent.

"We feel that we are a part of the Grand Army of the Republic — of the great Grand Army family, and that your interests are our interests; therefore we are going to keep 'carrying on' the principles you have set before us, the principles of Abraham Lincoln, the greatest man that ever lived. (Applause.) I care not who says otherwise! And we do visit the schools, following in the footsteps of our comrades, and teach the children of our land that Abraham Lincoln was the grandest figure in the fiercest times of the Civil War.

"And we pledge ourselves anew this morning that we will not neglect our duty in relation to the work of the Grand Army of the Republic. We trust you are going to stay with us many years, and I hope to see many of your faces down in Cincinnati next Fall. Just walk in and visit the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and we shall be glad to see you, though I can remember the time when the coming of a delegation from Massachusetts would scare us about to death.

"Now I won't take up more of your time, as I know you have a lot of business to cover this morning. I want to go to Concord tomorrow morning, so we are trying to get in all we can while here; but we would like to eat some beans and have a 'shore dinner' before we leave this part of the country, but may not make it.

"I thank you for this privilege, and leave with you my best wishes." (Applause.)

Maud E. Boyce, Past Department President: "Commander Webb and comrades, as a daughter of a Union Veteran it is a privilege for me to be here today and bring greetings of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic to you. In the many years I have belonged to these organizations, first the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Daughters of Union Veterans, the Auxiliary, — this is the first time I have had the honor of bringing felicitations to this convention, and I appreciate it fully.

"I have met your Commander Webb this past year on several occasions. Sister Thurlow from Newburyport has been bragging about comrades, but I am going one better, as the saying is, — your Commander-in-Chief was Department Commander last year when I was Department President of the Ladies; also Past Commander of Post 10 of Worcester and member of our Circle there. We also have another one of your comrades in this hall, very dear to me, and that is Commander of Post 10, Comrade Joseph Cleveland, one we have looked for in our convention the past two days; the Worcester girls have all been asking for Comrade Cleveland.

"Now, Department Commander, I know you have had a successful year and have enjoyed it. We have enjoyed having you in that capacity, and please accept my personal greetings. I thank you."

Mrs. Rebecca A. Corthell, Past President of Circle No. 23: "I am not a Daughter, I am one of the widows of this great body of men. I am not young and eloquent, and so have made a few notes of what I desire to say to you at this time.

"Commander, National officers and comrades of this Department convention, once more I have been honored by our Department President to bring to this convention the hearty greetings of the Department of Massachusetts, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, with the love and best wishes of every member of our order for a splendid and harmonious convention.

"I shall be brief in my remarks because I know you have lots to do, but these greetings that I bring to you are from the loving hearts of your own kin and blood, your mothers, your wives, your sisters, your daughters and your granddaughters of Union Veterans, a heritage which is more precious than gold. These daughters and granddaughters will be future Ladies of the Grand Army of the

Republic when we are gone; if we are to perpetuate this splendid heritage which is ours, these daughters and granddaughters of your blood must take our places in generations to come to carry on, that the principles of these Boys in Blue may still live in the hearts of the American people.

"As I stand here in the presence of you veterans in this historic Faneuil Hall where patriots have stood, there comes a thrill of patriotic devotion which I believe must fill every American heart; and as I look into your faces I seem to see a vision, — the vision of a great soul, and a figure towering above all else, that of Abraham Lincoln, with his Boys in Blue, marching on to victory. Those were the soldiers of yesterday. The thinning ranks of comrades, and their allied organizations are the soldiers of today, but what of tomorrow? May the blessings of Heaven rest upon the soul of the great Abraham Lincoln and his Boys in Blue, the great Grand Army of the Republic!" (Applause.)

Commander Webb: "I thank your delegation for your personal gift, and will you kindly convey to the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic my sincere thanks."

(A visitation from the Sons of Union Veterans Auxiliary arrives and its members are formally presented to the Encampment.)

Commander Webb: "Comrades, it affords me a great deal of pleasure to introduce to you Pearl F. Safford, President-elect of the Sons of Union Veterans Auxiliary."

Miss Safford: "Commander Webb, I am bringing to you, and to the members of your Encampment, the greetings of our Auxiliary, and it is a privilege that comes to only a few, that I bring the personal greetings of our Department President, Elizabeth L. Lovering.

"It would take long to tell what your organization means to ours, but the example of your heroism has been our inspiration, and we are trying to perpetuate as well as we can the ideals of loyalty and fraternity and patriotism that you have inculcated.

"I hope, Commander Webb, that this has been a pleasant Encampment for you and the incoming officers, and I trust every year will be a happy one, and as Vice-President to the Auxiliary I want to pledge to you the support and loyalty of 4,500 women whom I represent. They are ready to stand back of you and do everything they can, and any time you need us you have only to call upon us.

"And, Commander Webb, as a personal testimonial from our Department organization I bring to you a small gift. It is small but bright and shining, and I hope the memory of your Encampment will carry with it a bright and shining memory of the greetings of the Sons of Union Veterans Auxiliary. Please accept it for all you mean to us, and for all that you have done."

Miss May Lord, President of Fall River Auxiliary No. 22: "Department Commander and comrades, I deem it a great honor to be present here today to wish you and your Encampment, with its incoming officers, a prosperous new year, and to extend to you my personal greetings for Auxiliary No. 22, which I have the pleasure of representing."

Mrs. Carrie E. Ray, Department Patriotic Instructor from Pittsfield: "Boys — that is what we call them at home — I looked at between 300 and 400 young faces this morning representing 38 nationalities, on the occasion of presenting to the Abraham Lincoln School on Arlington Street a bronze tablet of the Gettysburg Address, and it was the most pleasant duty I have had this year. But to be here today is an equally pleasant occasion, as I regard it one of the greatest honors of my life, and I have worked for the 'Old Boys,' as we call them, for thirty years. I have been President, and all the offices have come my way, but I never enjoyed such a privilege as this; and I want to thank you for the honor conferred on Post 125, when you elected Comrade Lincoln to one of your offices. I am so happy to be here, and I thank you, Commander Webb, for allowing me to speak."

Commander: "I want to thank you for your gift, and will you convey to your organization my heartfelt thanks to them?"

(A committee of three ladies comes from the Woman's Relief Corps.)

Past Commander Ham: "Commander Webb, may I have the honor to introduce the President of the Woman's Relief Corps?"

Commander: "Comrades, this is the delegation that we have been waiting for, — our oldest organization, and you know how faithfully they have lived up to their pledges of assistance to the Grand Army of the Republic. Therefore it is that I am deeply gratified to introduce to you the present President of the Department of Massachusetts Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Snow."

Mrs. Lena M. Snow: "Department Commander, distinguished guests, and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I salute you. This is the greatest pleasure — or one of them — that I have ever had in my life, — to be able to look into the faces of my comrades, so many of whom are present today.

"I left the Commander-in-Chief at my convention because I wanted to be prompt. I think the clock here must be a little fast, because I believe in promptness, and I didn't want to be late at your Encampment. The Commander-in-Chief's wife was one of the Committee, but I left her on the platform with her command-in-chief (laughter) and I guess she will excuse me for not bringing her down here.

"I am not going to take much of your time because we have a lot to do at our convention, but on behalf of the Department of Massachusetts Woman's Relief Corps I want you to accept this personal gift, Commander, for yourself; and this is another gift from my Grand Army Aides to yours. And then, in behalf of the Department, I present to you this check for \$400 for your Department. (Applause.) And I thank you for the cordial welcome we have received. Now, Commander, I will submit my report to the Grand Army of the Republic."

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT TO DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS

AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
BOSTON, April 8, 1930.

JAMES H. WEBB, *Commander, Department of Massachusetts, G. A. R.*

DEAR SIR:— I submit to you a report of the membership, receipts and expenditures of the Department of Massachusetts Woman's Relief Corps during my administration of the past year:

Number of Corps in the Department, January 1, 1930	153
Number of members January 1, 1930	11,359
Cash expended from Corps Relief funds	\$3,732 19
Amount turned over to Posts of the G. A. R.	2,634 48
Estimated value of relief other than money	1,388 91

Expended from Special Funds

Department Relief Fund	\$712 00
Soldiers' Home Dormitory Fund	21 25
Emergency Fund	204 40
G. A. R. Fund (April, 1929)	500 00
Fiftieth Anniversary Fund	306 50
D. of U. V. Fund, including receipts of W. R. C. table	59 05
John A. Andrew Home, including donations sent to the Home by various Corps	409 45
World War Veterans Fund	27 00
Child Welfare Fund	22 00
Americanization Fund	25 00
Flower Fund	26 50
National Defense Fund	14 90
Other Funds	15 58



LENA M. W. SNOW
DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS
1929 — 1930

Amount on Hand in Department Funds

Department Relief Fund	\$1,463 88
General Fund	2,092 92
Soldiers' Home Fund (three rooms)	263 37
Soldiers' Home Dormitory Fund	226 59
Emergency Fund	1,293 31
Southern Memorial Fund	163 00
W. R. C. Special Fund	92 80
World War Veterans Fund	355 70
Child Welfare Fund	93 92
Mary Jones Patriotic Fund	225 54
Flower Fund	36 10
Other Special Funds	128 41
Total	<hr/> \$6,435 54

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

(MRS.) LENA M. W. SNOW,
Department President.

Commander: "Mrs. Snow, perhaps a little later on, when I can recover my voice, I shall be able to express my thanks for your personal gift. I don't know what I have done to be paid for on my last day of service, but evidently this is a remembrance, and I thank you very much for it.

"After hearing the statement of the figures on that check, words would hardly express our thanks, even though we expected something — knowing the habits of your organization."

Mrs. Snow: "I wish it might have been more. But I want to tell you, comrades, what a wonderful time I have had traveling with my 'running-mate,' but last night he didn't 'show up' at my place, and some one said he had been seen with his arms full of flowers. Now, I didn't bring flowers — I brought gold!"

Comrade Flynn, Post 26: "I move that this convention give a rising vote of thanks to the Woman's Relief Corps for their splendid gift of \$400. All up!"

Commander: "Ladies, we thank you — and in this manner. Now, I have the honor to present the National President."

Mrs. Margaret J. L. Bennett, National President, Woman's Relief Corps: "Commander, the 'honor' may be yours, but the pleasure is all mine. And, Commander, I do not bring to you money in the form of a check, I do not bring gifts of gold, but I bring to you the love and best wishes, as well as the greetings, of 185,000 women of your auxiliary. (Applause.) I am sure that expresses a lot to you and I know you appreciate the greetings, but the happiness of coming here today is mine, and I wish to personally thank you, Commander, for the invitation to be here in your Encampment.

"I wish for you continued success and happiness, and I hope that each and every one will be in the circle of love in the Woman's Relief Corps ever. I thank you." (Applause.)

Mrs. Alma Jackson, Department Senior Aid: "Commander and distinguished guests, comrades of the Grand Army, I am not a speech-maker, and it is my first opportunity to come to your Encampment. Your Commander and I have met on several occasions during the year, and I have a high regard for him. Again I thank you."

Commander: "It is true that I have been the protégé of Mrs. Jackson in many places where I have made my visitations. Mrs. Snow, you and your delegation will carry back the heartfelt respect and love of the Grand Army, and take also this assurance that we all thank our auxiliary from the bottom of our hearts."

Mrs. Snow: "I certainly will, and hope you will be with us at eight o'clock tonight. Do you know I was told last night by the Commander-in-Chief that it was the first time he ever went to a dinner that started on time."

Commander: "I want to turn over to our Assistant Adjutant-General this check

(\$400), and the members of this Encampment will bear witness that it has left my hands safely. And (turning to Mrs. Phinney, Headquarters clerk) I am going to ask you to pin my new Badge upon my coat, for I am going to wear it during the rest of this session."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee (Another delegation having arrived, namely, Daughters of Union Veterans): "I have the pleasure of presenting to you Mrs. Nellie M. Goodman, Past Department President, Past National President, and 'Past' everything else, but now Department Counselor of her organization."

Commander: "Comrades, it affords me sincere and unusual pleasure to present to you Mrs. Goodman, because years and years ago — and I don't think I am reflecting on her age, as we are all 'young' here — but years ago I received a letter asking me to assist in the formation of a Tent of Daughters of Union Veterans. And I don't think I ever regretted a circumstance more, but I was so busy I was not able to assist as I should. However, there has been no hard feeling, the Daughters of Union Veterans were organized, and we now have two Tents in the city of Quincy."

"I am very proud to present to you Mrs. Goodman."

Mrs. Nellie M. Goodman, Past National President: "Comrades and honored guests, it is with very great pleasure that I bring you the greetings of the Massachusetts Department Daughters of Union Veterans. I was much interested in my introduction by Comrade Wetherbee, with all my 'Past' honors, but there is one thing I am not 'past' of; that is, in my love for the comrades of the Massachusetts Department, Grand Army of the Republic."

"It is wonderful to come to your convention and bring greetings; it is splendid to see so many of you here this morning after your busy yesterday. We have visited this hall when the place would be filled, but we thank the dear Lord that you have been spared for so many years."

"Dear Comrade Webb, our Department President has sent over just a little bit of sweetness to you, and desires me to tell you how much she enjoyed her year with you traveling around, and hopes you will get a much needed rest in the days to come."

"And I also have the pleasure of bringing to Sister Phinney, who is so dear to me and to every comrade here that we all feel that we cannot get along without her. Indeed, we are having a pretty hard time to get along without her, and it is because we love you so, my comrades of the Grand Army, that we let her stay with you all the time."

"It is a pleasure and happiness to greet my dear friends, and bring a little token from the Massachusetts Department, and we are going to leave this envelope for you to give to the Commander-in-Chief."

Commander Webb: "Mrs. Goodman, I do not know how to express my feelings. Now it is my privilege to introduce to the comrades your National President. It was my pleasure to sit next to her at the banquet last night, and I left her in a very unceremonious manner; but she survived, and here she is with some nice words for you. I present Miss Grace Hurd, National President."

Miss Grace Hurd, National President, Daughters of Union Veterans: "Commander, honored guests, and my father's comrades, you do not know what a pleasure it is to me to come here and bring to you the greetings of our National Department Daughters of Union Veterans."

"As your Commander has said, he left me unceremoniously last night, and I think he missed one of the prettiest scenes, — Keep the Sunny Side Up. It is a little bit slangy, but the spirit of it appealed to us strongly; and coming in here with all these sunny faces before me it does not seem possible that they are to leave us some time. So we are keeping the sunny side up, and I wish you many lovely days to come when you may meet together."

Commander: "Now, may I present Mrs. Clogston?"

Past Department President, Florence Clogston: "Dear comrades assembled here, I just want to extend to you the love I feel for every comrade. I certainly did not know my grandfather; he died before my father was eight years old, but I want to assure you that I love you all in his name."

Commander: "I would like to tell a story before introducing the next speaker. We went up to Lowell on an official visit a short time ago, and it rained, which

does not express it forcibly enough — it poured, and then the heavenly buckets were turned upside down and it came down in sheets. A Daughter and her husband kindly drove the party up there in that terrible storm, and the lady is here. I found that her husband was an Odd Fellow, and I had been one 57 years; and I used to pride myself that there was no part of the ritual that I could not repeat, so we began to talk and I tried to repeat a certain 'charge' there is in the Odd Fellows' work. I got to where there occurred a lost word, and I could not find it; and now, before I forget it, I want to say to Mrs. Currie that I have not yet found that word, but for her to tell her husband that I am going to see him sometime and have him tell me. I present Department Patriotic Instructor, Mrs. Cora H. Currie."

Mrs. Currie: "Commander Webb, distinguished guests and members of this convention, I am Patriotic Instructor of the Daughters of Union Veterans and admit it with a great deal of pride. It has permitted me to appear on a Faneuil Hall platform twice, and both times with good Commander Webb. I am glad of that honor, and shall have the pleasure of looking back to it in the years to come.

"We have had a good convention at the Hotel Statler, and have had many visitations and many nice things said to us; and it seems to me there is one small word that has predominated, and that word is 'happy.' And it seems to me that everybody that came to see us was happy, and was received with words which said 'how happy' our Department President was to see them.

"I have been with Comrade Webb and we have had many pleasant times together when it 'poured' and when it didn't 'pour.' One of my duties as Patriotic Instructor is to get a few shekels together and when I come here to bring them to you, wishing you all sorts of good things forever after; and so I present this check from the Massachusetts Department of our order, with our best wishes."

Commander Webb: "I thank you. These comrades of mine all know that I have an affliction — or some kind of an infection — I don't know the proper word to use — but when anything of this sort happens I have to weep a little bit — from excess of emotion. But I thank you sincerely for this present, and trust you will return to your organization bearing the thanks of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic. (Applause.)

"Now, if I transfer this to the Assistant Adjutant-General in your presence you will know that it will reach Headquarters safely."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "You will notice that I got up immediately upon hearing about this gift."

Comrade Flynn: "I move that this convention give a rising vote of thanks to the Daughters of Union Veterans for their handsome donation to the Grand Army." (All stand.)

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Mrs. Goodman says the Boys will want to know what this check says, and I will tell you that it reads, — 'Pay to the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, Three Hundred and ninety dollars.'" (Applause.)

Mrs. Goodman: "When I was passing out the envelopes I noticed I didn't have one for Comrade Wetherbee, and we looked carefully through all the things we had — only to discover that when he went over there they gave it to him then. So we did not have that pleasure."

Mrs. Helen Phinney: "This is the second time I have spoken in this convention, and I realize that I have not the right to speak; but this morning I had a beautiful bouquet presented to me and a gift of gold, and now my good Sisters of the Daughters have presented me with a gift, and I want to thank them for all their kindness to me — I really don't believe I deserve all the nice things said to me today. While I miss being at the Daughters' Convention I feel honored that I am permitted to take a part in this Encampment, as this is my fifth year as Headquarters clerk. My father was a soldier, my grandfather; I had six uncles in the Civil War, and I was born July 4th, so you will understand how 'happy' I am."

(The Daughters delegation retires amidst great applause.)

Commander: "Is there any other business to come before this Encampment? Have we left anything undone that we should do? What is your pleasure — shall

we proceed with the installation of officers or wait for our Commander-in-Chief? I await any motion. I think in order to keep up with our schedule we ought to go on with the installation, and I will ask the Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee to perform that service."

Commander-elect Howes: "Before being installed I am going to take for the subject of my maiden speech something that has appealed to me. From our own we are always receiving, but as I look into the faces of my comrades and think of the kindly thought and deed that prompted the giving of a souvenir to every one of you, individually, it has touched me in a way that I do not know when I have been similarly affected before.

"I refer to the little bouquet that was presented to each one of the comrades by an organization which could not be said to be one of our own, though the act constitutes a pledge from one very closely allied to you; that is, a representative of Veterans of the Spanish War. Comrades, that was an unusual tribute, and I make this acknowledgment to them and wish it to be a matter of record as my contribution and thought. I thank you." (Applause and cheers.)

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The following-named officers were installed by Past Department Commander Wetherbee:

	<i>Commander</i>	
ALVIN C. HOWES		Post 8, Middleborough
	<i>Senior Vice-Commander</i>	
WALDO TURNER		Post 58, East Weymouth
	<i>Junior Vice-Commander</i>	
EDWIN H. LINCOLN		Post 125, Pittsfield
	<i>Medical Director</i>	
JOHN GILBERT, M.D.		Post 46, Fall River
	<i>Chaplain</i>	
REV. GEORGE W. NEAD		Post 169, Norwood
	<i>Official Staff</i>	
	<i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i>	
WILFRED A. WETHERBEE		Post 62, Newton
	<i>Assistant Quartermaster-General</i>	
EDWIN F. MORRILL		Post 156, Everett
	<i>Judge-Advocate</i>	
JOHN A. BRACKETT		Post 146, Lawrence
	<i>Inspector</i>	
LUCIUS M. FULLER		Post 8, Middleborough
	<i>Chief Mustering Officer</i>	
WALLACE KENNEY		Post 68, Dorchester
	<i>Patriotic Instructor</i>	
WALTER S. PARKER		Post 194, Reading
	<i>Chief of Staff</i>	
JOHN F. HATCH		Post 73, Abington

Commander Webb introduced George A. Haven, Department of New York. Comrade Haven: "I am always glad to be where Grand Army men are gathered. I came in last night and saw in the newspapers — just happened to — that you were going to have a convention here, and I supposed it would last over today, so I came down from my hotel.

"I am very glad to be with you and greet you. I saw a little while ago a good reason why we should have peace instead of war. It is a good thing to have peace,

but one thing I heard was this, — that during peace the sons bury their fathers, but in war the fathers had to bury their sons; and I think that a good reason for peace.

"Of course there are times when we have to have war, and then we stand up for it; but when the time comes for peace we are all glad to have it. But I won't take up your time, as this is a particularly unfavorable moment for outside remarks. But being in Boston a few days I wanted to see you and say how glad I am to meet comrades of Massachusetts and to bid you Godspeed!" (Applause.)

Commander: "Well, comrades, I am going to declare the business session of the 64th Encampment of Massachusetts Department, Grand Army of the Republic, adjourned. We next meet at 1.30 P.M. in Ford Hall."

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

The annual banquet was held this year in Ford Hall, and plates were set for 150 comrades, though only about a hundred participated. Seated at the table on the stage were the following Grand Army officers and invited guests: His Excellency, Frank G. Allen, Governor of the Commonwealth; Mayor James M. Curley of Boston; retiring Department Commander James H. Webb; Brigadier-General Meriwether Walker, Commander of the 1st Corps Area; Past Department Commander George A. Hosley; Commander-elect Alvin C. Howes; National Commander-in-Chief Edwin J. Foster of Worcester, Mass.; Major J. W. H. Myrick of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co.; Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief Chas. E. Nason of Maine; Senior Vice-Commander-elect Waldo Turner; Hon. W. A. Bradford, Ex-Mayor of Quincy; Charles F. McCarthy, Department Commander of the Spanish War Veterans; J. J. O'Connell of the American Legion; and Richard Flynn, Relief Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Commander Webb: "Comrades, I am asking Past Department Commander Benjamin A. Ham to ask the Divine Blessing."

Comrade Ham: "Our Heavenly Father, we humbly bow before Thee, thanking Thee for Thy love to us, and for our love for each other, that extends beyond the grave through the boundless portals of eternity. Heavenly Father, bless our lives and this food to our use, and may we be ever devoted to Thy service. Amen!"

(While a personal presentation of resolutions to Commander-in-Chief Foster by a delegation from the Past Commanders Association of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was going on, Governor Allen arrived and was greeted with three hearty cheers and a "Tiger.")

Commander Webb: "Comrades, the Governor desires a moment to get his ideas — or, rather, he wants some one to speak first. While the gentleman selected to be the next speaker is a stranger among us, the very fact of his honoring us by his presence tells us that he is a friend of the Grand Army of the Republic; and so it is my privilege to introduce to you Brigadier-General Walker, Commander of the 1st Corps Area."

Brigadier-General Walker: "It is a great pleasure for me to be here on this occasion as the local representative of the Regular Army, to extend a cordial greeting to the members of the Massachusetts Department of the Grand Army of the Republic.

"The Regular Army has a very profound admiration and respect for you men, who at a critical time in the history of the country saved the Union; and we in the Regular Army appreciate what you did probably more than any other profession or walk of life. We know that you had none of the modern equipment and paraphernalia that we now consider absolutely indispensable to the successful conduct of military operations of any magnitude, so that our respect is founded very soundly.

"This was brought home to me very vividly last fall when we were carrying on corps manoeuvres in Vermont and New Hampshire. I stopped one morning — I was commanding one division of the corps — and we stopped to set up a wireless in order to get in touch with two brigades and corps headquarters. And it hap-

pened that the land was owned by a veteran of the Civil War, a man who had not been able to keep in touch with progress in things military. He was tremendously interested when I explained what the wireless meant, — how we could communicate with a corps some miles away; and as the troops went by we showed him some modern equipment. He was particularly impressed by the rolling kitchens, with the lighted fires and the meal cooking, and to know that almost any hour of the day or night the troops could be supplied with a hot meal under practically any conditions.

"After I had showed him what we had, then he began to tell me what you had to do with in the Civil War, and of course, while I had some appreciation from what I had read, it appeared more vivid to have it told me in the presence of our modern equipment.

"The Regular Army has, and will always have, a profound respect and affection for you gentlemen of the Grand Army; we know what great sacrifices, and under what trying conditions you saved the Union; and knowing as we do the conditions under which you did it, it is a very impressive object-lesson to our men to know what men who are thoroughly patriotic and faithful to the country and to the flag can do in very trying circumstances. The Regular Army will always wish every good thing for all the members of the Grand Army of the Republic." (Applause.)

Commander Webb: "Comrades, attention (all stand). The next speaker needs no introduction to this audience; every one of you know His Excellency Governor Allen, and that he is your friend and my friend. His Excellency the Governor."

Governor Frank G. Allen: "Commander Webb, Commander-in-Chief Foster, Commander O'Connell, honored guests and members of the Grand Army, once more I have the very great honor and privilege of being able, as the chief executive of this Commonwealth, to appear before you and say a few words to you.

"I have had many introductions, but I never had one that touched me any more deeply than the one just accorded me when your State Commander sees fit in his kindness to refer to me as a 'friend' of your most honorable body. And I trust that every one of you believes what I feel in my heart, — sincere friendship toward every one of you; and that you have the same feeling for me, as I believe you have.

"One year ago when we met together I told you that insofar as I could, as chief executive of your Commonwealth, I would endeavor to do everything I possibly could to help rectify some of the things that many of us have felt for a long time needed rectification. And I am very glad that already I have been able to have brought to my desk two measures which I think every one of you is interested in; and one of those measures I had the pleasure of signing this morning.

"Possibly some of you may not be acquainted with these measures. I mention it, though I do it in no boastful spirit; and while some may consider it trivial, yet it may be of importance to every one of you — merely to have the Commonwealth of Massachusetts render that which is morally your due.

"The first Bill I had the privilege of signing was the Act making certain children of veterans eligible to receive soldiers' relief. (Applause.) And in addition to that this Bill grants to all adult children of veterans, who were in receipt of a United States pension in their own right this state benefit. And the measure I signed this morning was entitled House Act 1018, and it makes veterans today receiving hospital treatment outside eligible to receive state military aid and soldiers' relief given to veterans hospitalized within the Commonwealth.

"Of course the question immediately presented to us is — Why wasn't this attended to years ago? — and that question, unfortunately, I am not able to answer; but I will say that just as soon as these matters were brought to my attention we lost no more time than was absolutely necessary in order to bring them up to the position where the Governor could sign them and make them effective.

"And if there are any other matters of inequality, with which you are more familiar than I am, I trust you will, through the proper officers, bring it to my attention so they may be rectified. Because Massachusetts deeply realizes and

appreciates the great debt it owes, and especially when the representative of the Regular Army, for whom I have the utmost respect, brings it to our attention when he says that they appreciate and love to pay honor to the men who stepped into the breach and saved not only Massachusetts but saved our Union. And so we would be very ungrateful indeed if we could not say, at least through your chief executive, these few words I have said to you — when I pledge to you our future endeavors when matters of inequality and necessity so far as you are concerned are brought to our attention, — not only to show our appreciation for your services, but render to you not only the things you would like to have, but things common justice shows to be your absolute due, but long deferred.

“And so I am going to make this brief quotation; very old indeed, but nevertheless proving — at least I think we can stretch our imaginations to see that it proves — that we have not done things as soon as we ought to have done them for many reasons. However, while we cannot do all we would like to do by legislation, I trust you will go beyond the words to the other side of this quotation, and give us a chance to do everything you would like us to do in these latter days, although they might have been attended to years ago.

“These words are very true, but I am going to elaborate and extend them to mean that while we cannot do all we would like to do, we will do as much as we can. And this is the quotation:

“‘How small of all that human hearts endure
That heart which laws or kings can make or cure.’

“Now, those words are as true today as they were years ago when penned by Ruskin, for it is true that we cannot remedy everything by legislation. Nevertheless we can go a long way, and from the mere fact that we have found it possible to rectify these minor matters even in the year 1930, practically 70 years after the great call to arms, does prove that we can remedy some ills and inequalities by legislation. And so while you have a friend in the chair occupied by your chief executive, and one who claims he is, let him demonstrate that friendship if there is a feeling in your hearts that inequalities exist, and you have matters which can be regulated by the consideration of only ‘a friend at court.’

“And now in closing I want my efforts as chief executive of this Commonwealth to bear fruit, and there is no body of men I love to talk to and help as I do the Grand Army; and when I say that it is not only to them literally but down through to the veterans of all the organizations, state and national, who have not only upheld our traditions and our institutions but have followed your most worthy footsteps in helping to preserve in these later days those institutions and things you saved for us in the dark days of ’61 to ’65. I am just as proud to be known as a friend of the veterans of other organizations represented here today as I am of you, but you are the oldest organization; you saved the Union, and you laid upon us a debt which never can be repaid.

“And so it is that you deserve our respect and aid, and these veterans of the Spanish and World Wars, and I might mention other and minor insurrections — are thought of because they are going to carry on in your places when that necessity arises. But I tell you that Massachusetts loves to honor you through its chief executive today, and hopes and trusts that the day shall be long deferred when you cannot continue to meet here because of the rolling years as members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

“But when that day comes I am sure that these other veterans I have mentioned will carry on in the way you would like to have them; and I am sure the old Commonwealth, through whatever executive she may have, will pledge, as I have pledged today, the support that Massachusetts ought to give her sons, no matter what war they fought in, and endeavor to repay the debt of gratitude it owes to those who have ever been ready to give the supreme sacrifice in order that Massachusetts and this Union be made safe for those who may come after us.” (Great applause.)

Commander Webb: “About a year ago it was my privilege to be here as your newly elected Commander of the Department of Massachusetts, and I had followed

the next speaker as his Junior and then Senior Vice-Commander. We got along through those two years without even a scrap, and it has been my pleasure a great many times to introduce him to different audiences, but never before to his comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic; and, Boys (all rising), I present to you now our National Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Edwin J. Foster."

(Three cheers and a Tiger are given with great vigor.)

Commander-in-Chief Foster: "Department Commander Webb, His Excellency the Governor — and I am going to add something to that, — whom we all love; because I have reason to know personally that the words he has given you today are God's truth; he is our friend: officers, I cannot name you all, and let me say distinguished guests that are gathered here today; and my dear old comrades, not only do I say comrades to you, as I speak of them when traveling around the country, but you are 'comrades' to me because I belonged here with you when and before I took the position I occupy now. I was glad I could so arrange my itinerary so as to be here with you, because if I could not have done so I should have been greatly disappointed; therefore it is a very great pleasure to me, and one I never expected would come to me in this life, to be able to extend to you the hearty greetings of one of the most beloved organizations in the world, the Grand Army of the Republic. And in saying that it means much to all of us, for this reason:

"When you stop to think that since we gathered here a year ago our numbers have lessened; when we recall that last February we had this appalling thing happen, the passing of 1,074 comrades and 1,806 of our widows, making a total of 2,880 in twenty-eight days, over 100 a day to answer the last roll-call. Therefore it is that today we have great reason, my comrades, to say that God has been good to us. He has been a good lender, and we have all been good borrowers; and for one I have talked of living not dying, and I am going to continue as long as my credit is good for that borrowing. And when, Boys, we come to that last call, and we pass over and join that army we can almost see; when the thin veil is lifted, how many of the Boys are watching and saying: 'Thank God there are so many remaining. We will go on with the grand work'; that sentiment making us feel that there was some reason for living in this country, for we are entitled to credit as American citizens because 69 years ago we hired out to a man for \$13 a month to do a certain job, and that \$13 a month was worth \$3.33½ in gold, and that was pretty good pay to start us on.

"But do you think it was for money, comrades, that we accepted that job? We did it because we knew that this country must exist undivided, and we did the job so well that the great man, whose name I have not mentioned, Abraham Lincoln, was so well satisfied with it that he made this statement: 'There is one debt this country can never repay, and that debt is the debt we owe to these men, their widows, and their orphans.'

"I am sorry, as the Governor said here today, that this benefit spoken of has been so long coming; but while it has been delayed I have never considered that the debt was outlawed, and therefore it has been my constant effort to try and see if we could not get just a little, — not enough for luxuries for the widows and orphans, but enough to ease them along until the time comes when we must go; and then we hoped that this our government would in the future take notice, and they are beginning to already. And if there should ever be another war, and we all hope there will not be; if there should be, I say, they will remember the promises made to these Boys who went out to defend and save this Union.

"I don't know — our three wars have been so different that there is really no comparison, but as I look back I have one happiness that has come into my life, and that is the fact that our Spanish War Boys, and our World War Boys, fully appreciate our sacrifices, because I have had such beautiful sentiments expressed by them to me; and having had a son in each one of those wars I can say to you today that when we are gone, Boys, I believe that we need not have any fear this country will not remain the greatest and richest country in the world, one which we are all proud to say we live in.

"But you know there is always something to anticipate, and when history tells us that for the last 500 years there has never been a minute when we have not had a war in some part of the world, we are led to believe there possibly may be another

war. And, frankly, I believe in preparedness; I believe it is a proposition we should consider today in our country, no matter what is said, no matter how many peace agreements are made, — that we should be prepared. You know what happened to us in the World War, which cost us over two billions of dollars to get ready, and then what did we do? We sent our boys across the water to fight with borrowed weapons. Think of it — a country like this! And yet people say that we must not prepare — that it means war.

"When a boy I have put a chip on my shoulder, and the other fellow looked me over before he hit that chip. One winter in Florida I was invited to speak on Lincoln's Birthday, and a lady had preceded me. And in her talk she had eulogized the man who wrote the song, 'I didn't raise my boy to be a soldier.' Well, I listened to her eulogy, and when they called on me I was pretty well wound up. So I said, 'I am sorry but I have got to differ with the speaker who has just preceded me, and I will tell you why. She has eulogized the man who wrote that song, — "I didn't raise my boy to be a soldier," and I am going to tell you that I don't like the song, I don't like the man, and I cannot conceive of a man that ever had the brain to write such a song, for I don't like the tune or anything about it.'

"I will tell you why: I wonder what our mothers would have said in '61 if that song had been sung; I wonder what my mother would have said when she let her boy go at 14 years of age! If you want my opinion on that subject, I believe there is not a higher honor can come to any mother than to have a son who is not a slacker, or who is not afraid to defend his country! (Applause.)

"Now, we can all feel that we do not want any more war, and I hope we may not have any, and I believe honestly that there will be very few, if any of us, of the Old Boys who will live to see another; but I will tell you what I want you and every American citizen to do, that is each day to cover your eyes and take off your hats for one or two seconds and thank God that in the time of need He gave to us George Washington and Abraham Lincoln and William McKinley and Woodrow Wilson; and if we do that, and feel that way our thoughts are going to go out that God has always been with us, and He always will be just as long as we try to do right!

"I have got to talk to you tonight over at the Campfire, and I have been asked to say something, so I feel that I am trespassing too long upon your patience now. I have been going around with Comrade Hosley and he doesn't stop long in a place; you know the sort of an escort he is when the Commander-in-Chief comes to town. I was in fear that some of my comrades might not be there tonight, and I want to say to the dear boys, — Hold the Fort! Don't give up; I want you to feel that as we have carried on so long we must continue just as long as there is breath in our bodies.

"So let's go home today feeling that we must stand fast and have faith in our mission. Meet the world with courage, for there is plenty of work to do, and that is why we men here should carry on — carry on! And may God bless us even to the last one, and at last when we die may this be our cry, — Carry on, my soul, carry on! I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander Webb: "Comrades, the Mayor of Boston. A number of years ago there was a speaker on Boston Common, and in front of him the same as now — only not so many of them — was a group of men in Grand Army uniforms. And in his remarks (and, by the way, I had never met that speaker) as he observed those men he pointed to them and said, — 'They waited 47 years before they got any recognition from the United States government.'

"That remark won my friendship — won my heart, and today it is a very great pleasure to present to you that speaker, the Hon. James M. Curley." (Applause.)

Mayor Curley: "Mr. Chairman and honored Commander, guests and members of the Grand Army, I have just had the distinguished pleasure of addressing the real grand army of the United States of America — the Woman's Relief Corps (laughter and applause) and the Daughters of Union Veterans, their supporters.

"It is always a source of real satisfaction to be accorded the pleasure of saying a word to members of the Grand Army of the Republic. Your toastmaster in presenting me might have added that the Grand Army or the Union Army, soldier, sailor and marine, might have waited 47 years longer if it wasn't for the labors of members of the Grand Army themselves.

"I recall going to Congress in 1910, and I met there a very distinguished member of your organization, — a man who entered the war as a private and emerged with the rank of brigadier-general. He was almost totally deaf and in no physical condition to serve as a member of Congress, but no man was more devoted in his service, and no man a better example of sacrifice than he. And he informed me, after we became friends, that he came to Congress with the one specific purpose to secure the enactment of a law to give every man who served ninety days a pension. That was General Sherwood of Ohio. His daughter had charge of him in carrying out that campaign, and it was my privilege to go there with my secretary to help them in that work. And it was our great privilege to see a Bill enacted into law, as a tribute to the men whose patriotism made it possible to preserve the American Union.

"I have been talking with your presiding officer here with reference to the possibility of having the Grand Army convene in Boston once more before I retire permanently (laughter) — from the office of mayor. I had the privilege of entertaining them some years ago, during the progress of the War, when it was necessary to send a message of patriotism to remind the forces from America of earlier efforts for the preservation of the government we have so long enjoyed. And I am quite certain that out of that convention held in 1917 there went forth a great wave of patriotism, an impulse so strongly patriotic, that when conscription was adopted by Congress, despite the fact that the word conscription was an abhorrent word, and had been almost from the beginning of time, and a word that carried a chill to the heart of every woman; yet, when it came the time for enrollment almost six millions were mobilized without a single protest.

"It was the crystallized patriotism sent through the United States from that convention which perhaps did more than any man will ever realize to develop solidarity in America to an extent that one would hardly believe possible. Now I have the legislation in view allowing me to spend perhaps \$100,000 a year for the entertainment of conventions, etc., to be held in Boston, and there is reason to believe it will be adopted, as they are inclined to give me a lot of money to invest in this manner; and there is no way I would like to spend it better than for the entertainment of the Grand Army sometime during the next two years.

"For, after all, there isn't any way in which a nation, regardless of its wealth, patriotism and numbers, can repay its obligations to this splendid organization, which not only served in the hour of peril but has preached patriotism for upwards of half a century. And I pray Almighty God that those still in the ranks may be permitted to stay a good while longer in our midst; for the knowledge of their service and the memory of their sacrifices will never be effaced from the minds of any man worthy of the honor of being an American citizen!" (Applause.)

Commander Webb: "A few years ago at a Memorial Day service I had my Post, and we were waiting for the exercises to begin; and a comrade in the uniform of a Spanish War Veteran stepped up to me and said, 'My name is McCarthy; I am one of the speakers.'

"Well, I was very glad to meet Comrade McCarthy, and as I was to follow him I listened attentively to his address; and when it came my turn to speak I assure you that I felt very small indeed, for I knew it was of no use at all for me to follow Comrade McCarthy. A short time ago in Faneuil Hall he introduced me as a guest, and he said, — 'Comrades, I want you to take notice and remember that the next speaker is something good!'

"Now permit me to present to you the Department Commander as 'something good.'"

Charles F. McCarthy: "Commander, Your Honor, Commander-in-Chief, distinguished guests and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I learned this afternoon for the first time that there could ever be a veteran of the Grand Army of the Republic who could feel small when compared with me, and the assignment your Commander has given me is naturally somewhat like the one he tells us was given him on that Memorial Day occasion — when I am now asked to follow that distinguished gentleman and splendid friend of the Grand Army, Mayor Curley. (Applause and laughter.)

"Comrades, as Department Commander of the United Spanish War Veterans of Massachusetts it is the greatest honor I have ever had, or can have, that comes to me now, because I am speaking to that body of men of which my father was one. I can recall as a very small boy going to the old Grand Army quarters in my city, where there were two signs on the wall the wording of which I have never forgotten; it is as clear today as then. One of them said, — 'In times of peace let us remember the promises made in the time of war;' and the other was, 'For what he did and all he dared remember him today.'

"It is with something besides sentiment connected with a gathering of the Grand Army that I approach my duty here today to say a few words in behalf of 5,000 members of Spanish War Veterans in this Commonwealth. My heart naturally goes out to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic because my kindred is involved; but my heart goes out to every man who has served this country in its need, and my whole soul will always be devoted to the endeavor to benefit the cause of the men and their dependents who saved the Union.

"The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has done well by her veterans, there is no debatable question about that; but in my opinion the government of the United States of America has not dealt generously with the veterans, and that is the thought I want to inject here; because while sentiment naturally comes into our hearts and minds on occasions of this sort, the practical side of the thing should be brought out in order that we all may have the spirit of 'carrying on,' as the Commander-in-Chief has said, because it is a long time before there won't be some of us here who will need help.

"Why, you men here do not look any older to me than I feel myself, because the spirit is there; and it is not strange that it should be there, for you men went forth to march under the Southern sun, to sleep under its skies in the midst of swamps. You dared the Heights of Vicksburg, you fought at Fort Wagner, and bravely faced the death-dealing ambush of the Wilderness. Hand-to-hand you encountered the Bloody Angle at Gettysburg, when the fate of the nation hung in the balance; and calm and uncomplaining you endured hunger and thirst because you loved your country and would save it. Now, your muskets have long hung upon the wall, your sabers have long rusted in their scabbards; the years have taken away their brilliancy, and the weight of those years has fallen heavily upon you. The eyes that looked defiantly at the foe are peaceful now, and the body that bore itself upright and bravely is stooped, and totters under the burden of the years; but, comrades, the spirit remains, and every one of you today carries that which no other man in this Republic can carry, — the undivided and unanimous respect and admiration and love of the people of the United States of America! (Applause.)

"There are those who can claim to be sons and daughters of the Revolution, — descendants of those men who proclaimed liberty and offered their lives and fortunes to establish it. It was not given me to make that boast, but it is with all reverence that I remember the man whose name I bear, and whose memory is sacred; an exile from a foreign land, silver and gold he had none, but he lived an honorable life, and left to me a priceless heritage, — the right to say that shoulder to shoulder with you men he offered his life on the altar of his adopted country! (Applause.)

"Comrades, the message I bring to you is one of the deepest and most profound sentiment, — the sentiment of one generation of veterans to another generation of veterans, — the world-old message of undying love and admiration, the message of respect and veneration, and the promise to you that we will 'carry on' after the last of you have gone. But more than that we bring to you. We bring to you the assurance that the fight for more practical things is only in its beginning, and will never be given up until righteousness is done by this government for the veterans of every war who need help in declining years.

"And so what we want is more than sentiment — what the veteran desires more than words is the assurance from those in power that there shall be given to the veteran, and to his dependents, as long as time shall last, an adequate support and encouragement in his declining years. We want more men like

Governor Allen, we need more men like Mayor Curley, for those are the men that stand up for you.

"And Comrade-commander and comrades of the Grand Army, Department of Massachusetts, I personally am proud of the privilege of bringing the assurance that your comrades of the Spanish War Veterans in this Commonwealth are with you heart and soul now and forever!" (Enthusiastic applause.)

Commander Webb: "Comrades, at the close of the World War there were a great many old soldiers who thought that when the boys came home from abroad there would be so many of them we would not stand much of a show. I well remember one who belonged to my Post, and perhaps he was a little short-sighted, for he said, — 'When these young fellows come home they are going to overbear us and our Memorial Day work and our School work, and all that we have been building up — they will have nothing to do with us, and we will be forgotten.'

"Comrades, how has it worked out? Is there anything that we of the Grand Army of the Republic want in the shape of help in our work that we cannot go to the Spanish or World War Veterans, and to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and ask for — and we are just as sure to get it as it is possible for it to be done. And, comrades, in my report for this year I have said that there is nothing left for us to do because they will do everything for us. They have promised to perpetuate our memory, to carry on the Memorial work, and everything we want is ours; and the only thing left that we cannot give up yet is the work we must do ourselves.

"Comrades, may I present one of the men who deserve our love and esteem, the Commander of the American Legion, J. J. O'Connell?"

Commander O'Connell: "Commander-in-Chief, distinguished guests and comrades of the Grand Army, I feel like a youngster when standing up here this afternoon, and the thing that really gives me courage to do it is the fact that it is one of the privileges of my office to address you, and likewise the fact that you number among your ranks some of my greatest friends.

"Now, the American Legion, like any other veterans' organization, is composed of many different types of men, though all are veterans of the World War; and in an organization of that sort you necessarily get a difference of opinion, and it is that same difference of opinion that 'makes the world go round,' and helps to arrive at the solution of some of the problems we are trying to solve. But I am confident that every thinking man in the American Legion will acknowledge the fact that if it were not for the service rendered by the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic we of the World War would probably not have been privileged to serve.

"So that we look to you for our example and guidance in the formation and the life of our organization, and naturally we pass over some of the milestones and some of the pitfalls your organization had to contend with in the younger days of its life. You overcame those obstacles, and we trust you will have sufficient confidence in us to hope that we shall be able to overcome such as we meet in the life of our organization.

"We assure you that our path and program is one of progress, and if you can see your way clear to place faith in us you will not be mistaken.

"Now, it has been our privilege to follow your example; we have always had the advice and assistance of officers of your organization, and I hope that will continue. And I hope, further, that we as an organization shall so conduct ourselves as individuals and as an order that when we reach the ripe age you have reached we shall merit the same degree of respect of the American public that you possess today.

"I thank you for the opportunity of coming here, and wish to present the greetings of my association. And I desire to extend an invitation to each and every one of you to attend our convention on October 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th here in Boston. You may be interested to know that in our convention sessions seats will be assigned if any of you see fit to honor us with your presence. And if you wish to take part in the parade, transportation and a favorable place in the procession will be pro-

vided; and, furthermore, for those who may not care to participate in the march, but would like to review it, seats will be provided, and the more there are to attend the better we shall like it — if your entire personnel shows up we shall like it all the better. I want to thank you, Commander Webb, for the privilege of being here this afternoon.” (Applause.)

Commander Webb: “Our new friend, General Walker, desires to leave us.”

General Walker: “I have enjoyed it very much, but am sorry that I have to get back to my office at 4 o’clock.”

Commander: “I only wish that this head of mine could remember dates, for in introducing the next speaker I would like to revel a little in figures; but I can only say he is the representative of the oldest military organization, or semi-military, in the United States of America, and there is no body of men in the city of Boston or the United States that lends greater honor to an occasion like this than the Ancient & Honorable Artillery Company; and I am proud to present Major Myrick of that organization.”

Major J. W. H. Myrick: “Mr. Chairman, I have the honor to represent the oldest military organization in this hemisphere, and also happen to be a delegate to represent Captain Miles Standish Post of Sons of Union Veterans from Duxbury; so I feel somewhat at home here, as my father was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. When a boy I used to go to the Post meetings, and how I did enjoy them.

“I cannot help appreciate, in the history of our old corps, what Captain Miles Standish accomplished in 1620 and on, and what was so ably taken care of by George Washington; and yet, if it had not been for you Boys in Blue, under that great leader Abraham Lincoln, it would all have been for nought. And it comes back to me today because we are celebrating the first representative democratic form of government any nation in the world ever had; in the whole history of the world that form of government was started right here in Boston, and has continued now for 300 years. But the dark period of our Civil War which you men served in was the most crucial point that ever came up in the history of that government, and the greatest ever known to civilized man.

“It is comparatively easy to start a war with propaganda, especially one nation against another with different tongues, different ideas, but when you start a civil war, in some cases brother against brother, right in your own dunghill it is quite a proposition. In all history there were never any battles like Antietam or Gettysburg, — never the hand-to-hand contests you had there, with you men in those battles and others that the Civil War produced.

“After that War was over you went back into civilian ranks, and then proceeded to carry out your patriotic ideas. There is where we got Memorial Day on May 30. You put Old Glory into our public schools. I know the survivors of recent wars will carry on after you, but it was you who established those patriotic ideas.

“And I am going to tell you that today in this great republic of ours we have only a three months’ supply of ammunition, and if war should break loose it would take us nearly a year to prepare our equipment, and we would be in just the same position we were when we went into the World War. I know what the War Department has, and what the facts are. They say, ‘Why don’t you get it?’ They cannot get it unless Congress says so. You say to a Congressman, ‘Why not go into this?’ but today we have no arrangement to get better equipment. The Ordnance Department has developed a better rifle and a better gun carrier than the French millimeter, but we have no money appropriated, and they cannot be built in twenty-four hours.

“In this matter of disarmament, Great Britain during all her career has been allied with most every European nation; she was with the Turks against the Russians, and with the Russians against the Turks. Waterloo was helped very much — the biggest part — by the Germans; England has been with everybody.

“We supplied the lands the Friars claimed in the Spanish War; we took care of other things like that, and everything we took part in worked out as nicely as a bill in equity. But there is a feeling that there is a Bolshevik movement among our young people, and everyone has got to keep his eyes open; we have got to

carry on, for we are the creditor nation of the world. We frequently see where people are trying to get into this country over our border, having the idea that the streets run with gold. Only a few weeks ago they tried to restrict tariff regulations on the part of any country, and of course we are not in the League of Nations. Back of every war is the money question, and that would start serious trouble right away.

"Premier McDonald came over here to see our President and try to carry out the idea of a restricted navy, but it didn't work out very well. The conditions in England are bad amongst the working people, and they have a notion that we are taking advantage of them in the mercantile world; and if the people feel like that about it, it won't be but a very short time before the politicians will listen to those in the majority. For a long time the Volstead Act attracted no attention, until it got so the wet Congressmen had to sit up and take notice, and now there are a lot who dare to stand up and say that possibly we ought to let the people vote on it; the politician will take notice of what the majority want, and when you make the demand on Congress they will do something.

"It was a good thing for us that we were in the last war, because it showed our weakness — also our strength before we got through; but so far as preparedness is concerned we are in just as bad a position today, and more so because there is a movement among people to say in the public press that children should not be taught military practice.

"For our boys in the High School it is good discipline, outside of the cannon-fodder you are making out of them; it makes a young man appreciate discipline. I used to serve my father down on Cape Cod and went to school only in winter time; he was apprenticed in his day, and served seven years as a mason or carpenter. I would like to know the education Henry Ford or Thomas Edison or Rockefeller had. They went out and got to work, but if we are going to keep our boys in school they are going to escape the hard knocks of life necessary to make men of them. Unless a boy is going to be a doctor or a minister the High School education is good enough; and if he has got any brains or ability — if he is worth anything, it will show quickly. I think we are over-educating our boys, and keeping them from earning an honest living and helping their fellow men; in some instances it is almost helping them to be bootleggers in order to make easy money, so as to keep up with the spending they would like to indulge in."

Commander Webb: "Our guests are getting tired, and I won't keep you much longer. At the close of the last Encampment a gentleman came to me and said, 'Commander Webb, don't you give yourself any uneasiness about the comrades. If you want anything for the comrades you come to me and I will help you out all that is possible,' and he has done it; and may I present to you one of our best friends, Relief Commissioner Richard Flynn."

Commissioner Richard Flynn: "Comrades, Commander-in-Chief and comrades all, I appreciate very much this flattering introduction. I have tried to keep faith and render service that I promised last year. There was a very particular Bill before the Legislature, and I sometimes called it the 'Ham' Bill. For some years in the Massachusetts Legislature Comrade Ham and others thought it would be a good idea if you built a Home for comrades and their wives in this Commonwealth. The final solution, however, was reached that enough money should be put into my office to give the veterans of the Civil War, and their wives or widows, such hospital care as might be needed. It has worked beyond expectation in the solution of the care of the veteran and his wife.

"We have on that roll, entitled chapter 340, Acts of 1929, some cases getting as high as \$140 a month, in addition to a pension. And you gentlemen can readily understand that even if we had built a Home, and the veteran and his wife should be incapacitated in the western part of the State, and were transferred from old associations into a Home here in Chelsea or any other place — that it would mean killing them.

"The Governor referred today to two Bills he signed this morning, but he did neglect to tell you about one important Bill he signed last Saturday; that is, an

increase of State Aid from \$6 to \$10, and making it possible to pay \$20 a month to one family, whether in the Spanish, Civil or World War. (Applause.)

"I think I owe to you my plain duty to state that Governor Allen in the two years he has occupied the chief executive's chair has signed more bills of direct and generous legislation than any Governor since the Civil War, — particularly the Bill referred to today — his aid to the children of veterans, and I trust you comrades will remember that the Soldiers' Relief Bill aims to help the helpless or blind child of any veteran in Massachusetts, regardless of whether the father served or not, provided he has a settlement in some town of the State. Heretofore such relief could not be paid to any child of a veteran unless receiving a pension, and in many cases State Aid was not giving adequate support to the child.

"So you can see what a generous Bill this is, in paying soldier's aid to the child of any veteran. Since the last Encampment I was hoping that by this time some generous legislation would be passed by the government for Civil War soldiers' widows, but I am sorry to say nothing has taken effect yet; but at the same time I have confidence in the Congress of the United States. I don't think we shall ever suffer in the way of relief and pensions. And I do say this for Massachusetts, — that if your pension is not adequate for your support you have a State law, a Soldiers' Relief law, and just as good pensions as you can invoke; and God knows it is my particular love to serve you, and if you go without those things do not blame me — but yourselves.

"It is a great pleasure to assist this convention. My heart was a little heavy because last year Eugene Sanborn was sitting here, the chief of my Department, the last Civil War veteran in my office; we all loved him. You cannot imagine the sorrow in my heart when the report came that comrade Sanborn had passed on. It cleaned my office out of Civil War veterans, and we have had some wonderful ones there. Comrade Wetherbee is still powerful!

"Now, I trust you will all take home the feeling with you that if I can be of service to you I want you to tell me how. I thank you." (Applause.)

Commander Webb: "Now, comrades, I am going to present a man who 'instant in season and out of season' is always ready to assist the veterans of the Civil War, — the Hon. William A. Bradford, ex-mayor of the city of Quincy."

Hon. William A. Bradford: "Commander-in-Chief, officers, comrades, guests and friends, if it was evening I would say the hour is growing late. I feel somewhat as though I was a trespasser among veterans, as I have no military record; I believe the military record in my family ended in the Pequot War, which was a long time ago, as compared with what you men helped to maintain, which was the American Union.

"As Abraham Lincoln said, — 'The house divided against itself must fall,' and I want to bring you a little message. I am in my humble capacity engaged in still trying to help save that Union, which is threatened perhaps not by the same ammunition that was used against you but by something far more insidious. Major Myrick spoke about propaganda spread by the Soviet, communism, etc., and I think, my friends, that we cannot afford to ignore the condition of propaganda which is gradually, but I think growing tremendously hostile, in this country.

"Now, I cannot wear a little brown button, although I have been honored by Paul Revere Post, of which your Department Commander was at one time the head. They have honored me with an honorary membership, and I have been honored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. But I have a little button that represents ten years' work with young people of this country, that they in turn may become good citizens and help to carry on the work for the preservation of the Union you fought to save.

"We are actively engaged in Quincy to raise a fund to carry on that work. I refer to the Boy Scouts association of almost 700 Scouts in Quincy, which takes about 125 men to carry on the work. And I hold in my hand a circular that was put in my hands, and it has been transferred to a lantern slide so that people may read it. I would like to read a little of it: 'The Boy Scouts is an organization for capitalistic wars.' 'Smash the Boy Scouts,' 'Join the Young Pioneers.' In other

words, they set up in opposition an order of boys called the 'Farmer's Union' — workers in the farmer's government. That is what that means.

"It is for us of the younger generation to carry on the work, but I want you to know that after 65 years the work is not done yet. It is a continual fight; 'There is no rose without a thorn.' So, Commander, I am honored by the receipt of your invitation, and it is a pleasure to be here; and when I can serve the Grand Army of the Republic I think you have conferred an honor upon me.

"This circular says in conclusion, 'Organize Boy and Girl Scouts for the interests of workers' children, for the defense of the Soviet Union for Workers' and Farmers' government.'

"This has been broadcast three or four months ago in Boston. It came out first in New York, and it is a very dangerous thing to have floating around. And if it does inspire you to action, and having performed your duty you can go further to impart this knowledge to your children and grandchildren, why, please try and carry a part of this message to them. It will help the organization.

"I feel a good deal like that line of the poem: 'Let me dwell in a house by the side of the road and be a friend to man!' So if in my humble way I have been a friend to the Grand Army I am particularly honored, and I thank you."

Commander Webb: "Now we are all tired out, and are going to close, unless our respected Assistant Adjutant-General has a word to say. You all know how well he has engineered these things."

Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee: "Good night!"

Commander Webb: "When we close it will be by singing 'Auld Lang Syne,' as per this card; but before we do that I will perform the last duty of my position and introduce to you your new Commander, Comrade Alvin C. Howes, and I hope you will be as loyal to him, and help him as you have helped me."

Commander-Elect Howes: "Boys, I know you will."

Past Commander Webb: "Now let's sing 'Auld Lang Syne.'

(The whole audience sings.)

"I now declare the 64th Encampment of the Massachusetts Department, Grand Army of the Republic, closed, and I so declare it."

GENERAL ORDERS

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,
BOSTON, April 18, 1929.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 1. }

I. Having been elected Commander of the Department of Massachusetts, Grand Army of the Republic, I hereby assume command.

II. The following officers were elected:

Department Commander — JAMES H. WEBB, Post 88, Quincy.

Senior Vice-Commander — ALVIN C. HOWES, Post 8, Middleborough.

Junior Vice-Commander — WALDO TURNER, Post 58, East Weymouth.

Medical Director — JOHN GILBERT, M.D., Post 46, Fall River.

Chaplain, Rev. GEORGE W. NEAD, Post 169, Norwood.

Council of Administration

CHARLES L. ROBINSON, Post 4, Melrose.

LEONARD BOYD, Post 62, Newton.

WALTER E. SWAN, Post 68, Rochester.

HENRI BATCHELDER, Post 156, Everett.

FREDERICK H. BISHOP, Post 88, Quincy.

III. Appointed Officers:

Assistant Adjutant-General — WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, Post 62, Newton.

Assistant Quartermaster-General — EUGENE D. SANBORN, Post 15, Boston.

Judge Advocate — JOHN A. BRACKETT, Post 146, Lawrence.

Inspector — JOHN R. SEARS, Post 174, Greenfield.

Chief Mustering Officer — GEORGE W. GREEN, Post 200, Jamaica Plain.

Patriotic Instructor — WALTER S. PARKER, Post 194, Reading.

Chief of Staff — JAMES S. MITCHELL, Post 121, Hyde Park.

Headquarters Clerk — HELEN A. PHINNEY, Past Department President,
Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

IV. Office Hours. 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. Saturdays, 9 to 12 A.M.

V. Aides-de-Camp. Post Commanders are requested to send AT ONCE to these headquarters, names and addresses of comrades to serve as Aides on the staff of the Department Commander.

VI. Requisitions. All requisitions for supplies must be accompanied by check, money order or cash to pay for same.

VII. All checks, money orders, etc., must be made payable to Wilfred A. Wetherbee, Assistant Adjutant-General. Quartermasters will take due notice and govern themselves accordingly.

VIII. The Department Commander will be at Headquarters Wednesdays from 11 to 12 A.M.

IX. All official correspondence and invitations should be addressed to *Wilfred A. Wetherbee, State House, Room 27, Boston.*

X. The following Representatives and Alternates for the next National Encampment were elected at the Department Encampment:

<i>Delegate-at-Large</i>		<i>Alternate-at-Large</i>	
John A. Brackett, Post 146.		Charles Peel, Post 49.	
<i>Representatives</i>		<i>Alternates</i>	
	<i>Post</i>		<i>Post</i>
DISTRICT No. 1			
Nahum F. Nickelson	1	Henry N. Hopkins	3
DISTRICT No. 2			
W. H. Smith	8	L. M. Fuller	8
DISTRICT No. 3			
John E. Bronson	144	D. S. Farnham	110
DISTRICT No. 4			
Albert A. Nicholson	35	David King	15
James Flynn	26	Martin Feeney	15
DISTRICT No. 5			
James Wright	89	A. Wright	5
W. F. Dodge	5	A. A. Rackliffe	90
Isaac D. Baker	34	J. F. Hatch	73
DISTRICT No. 6			
Charles L. Robinson	4	George H. Osborn	62
Henri Batchelder	156	A. J. Brown	163
Francis J. O'Reilly	56	George A. Gay	195
DISTRICT No. 7			
A. A. Buxton	19	M. H. Mentzer	10
George W. Corey	168	C. S. Houghton	53

DISTRICT No. 8

A. W. Ward 16 W. H. Abbott 71

DISTRICT No. 9

John R. Sears 174 Richard O'Hara 174

Per order,

JAMES H. WEBB,
Department Commander.

W. A. WETHERBEE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

The following were elected to the positions named at the annual conventions of our allied organizations:

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS

Department President — LENA M. W. SNOW, Waltham.

Department Secretary — MARY E. ELLIOT, Somerville.

LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Department President — MARY R. BURT, East Lynn.

Department Secretary — STELLA I. FROST, Haverhill.

DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Department President — EUNICE H. PATTEE, Boston.

Department Secretary — EDNA HICKS, Cambridge.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Department Commander — CHESTER H. WHITE, Florence.

Department Secretary — WM. L. ANDERSON, Boston.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS AUXILIARY

Department President — ELIZABETH L. LOVERING, Woburn.

Department Secretary — VIOLA D. BRUNET, Abington.

ARMY NURSES

FANNIE T. HAZEN, Cambridge

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,
BOSTON, April 18, 1929.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 2.

Memorial Day. In accordance with the usual custom of our Order — Thursday, May 30, will be observed by the comrades of this department, as Memorial Day — the day on which we assemble to honor the memory of those who in the days of their youth offered their lives upon the altar of their country.

As the Memorial season approaches our thoughts go back in loving memory to our comrades in arms in the dark days of our nation's history. Sixty-four years have passed since the close of the great conflict in the cause of union, freedom and humanity.

The greater part of those who returned with us have answered the final roll call and have joined their comrades in God's eternal camping ground.

They are sleeping, but, oh, the glory of their final awaking in the beautiful world beyond, where our Grand Commander has prepared a paradise for those who fought, suffered and died that liberty might shine over our land and equal justice be enjoyed by all the people.

Comrades should unite in making the services as impressive as possible, and as we stand beside the green mounds that mark the resting places of all that is mortal

of our departed comrades, let us pledge anew our devotion to their memories, and the cause for which they offered their lives.

II. Sunday, May 26, is hereby designated as Memorial Sunday. Posts should arrange to attend church as a body on that day, and invite our allied organizations, and also our comrades of the Spanish and World Wars to accompany them.

III. In accordance with orders from National Headquarters the reading of General Logan's Order No. II and Lincoln's Gettysburg address should be made a part of Memorial Day services.

IV. Post Chaplains must forward promptly to DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN, GEORGE W. NEAD, NORWOOD, MASS., a full report of Memorial Day exercises in which their posts take part.

Per order,

JAMES H. WEBB,
Department Commander.

W. A. WETHERBEE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,
BOSTON, Aug. 1, 1929.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 3.

National Encampment. The Sixty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Portland, Maine, during the week of Sept. 8-14.

No arrangement for a special train for this Department will be made. Parties will make their own arrangements in regard to transportation, etc.

One fare for the round trip will be charged. By making early application to their ticket agents, parties can obtain tickets at their home stations.

No one not a member of the Grand Army and its allied organizations and dependent members of their families can obtain the reduced rate.

Tickets can be obtained only upon presentation of a certificate which can be obtained of the Assistant-Adjutant General and from the headquarters of the several organizations.

Department Headquarters in Boston will be closed from September 6 to September 23.

Department Headquarters in Portland will be in ROOM 173, EASTLAND HOTEL. Parties desiring rooms in Portland should write to Howard H. Waldron, Chamber of Commerce, Portland, Maine.

Delegates, Attention! There will be a meeting of those entitled to seats in the National Encampment, at Headquarters, Room 173, Eastland Hotel, at 5 P.M., Tuesday, Sept. 10. CREDENTIALS will be distributed at this meeting. Important business will be transacted and every voting member is expected to attend.

It is the wish of the Department Commander that comrades remove all decorations from their coats DURING THE PARADE, excepting the official G. A. R. Badge. He asks the comrades to comply with this wish.

Important. The Annual Election of Post Officers must be held at the first stated meeting in October. Posts will not elect delegates to the Department Encampment. By vote of the last Department Encampment every comrade in good standing will be entitled to a seat and vote in future Department Encampments.

Quartermasters' bonds, and Blank for report of the names of the newly elected Commander, also Senior and Junior Vice-Commander are herein enclosed, and should be filled out and forwarded to these Headquarters IMMEDIATELY AFTER ELECTION.

The Obituary and Annual Report Blanks will not be made out till December 31, as usual.

The INSTALLATIONS shall take place at the FIRST MEETING in November. Names of Installing Officers must be sent to these Headquarters on or before October 15, in order they may be given out in General Orders to be issued October 20.

Special Notice. Post Commanders will call special attention to Section 7 in National General Orders No. 5, a copy of which is mailed with this Order, and see that these decisions are strictly complied with. Commanders will be held responsible for their observance.

Per order,

JAMES H. WEBB,
Department Commander.

W. A. WETHERBEE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

[Post Commanders and Adjutants should read this order and act accordingly.]

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,
BOSTON, Oct. 20, 1929.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 4. }

The National Encampment, held in Portland, was a very successful affair. The city authorities and the general public gave us a splendid welcome, and the week was replete with the many kind attentions we received at their hands.

The parade was a success in every way. Fine weather and a goodly number in line. The Department of Massachusetts had one hundred and twenty-five marchers, and also a large representation in the Auto Division.

Your Department Commander was proud of his comrades, who marched like soldiers and made their usual fine appearance. The delegates proved themselves worthy of the trust confided in them, and every one was in his seat from the opening to the close of the Encampment.

The Department of Massachusetts was honored by the selection of our comrade Edwin J. Foster as Commander-in-Chief.

The Encampment of 1930 will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio.

II. On recommendation of George W. Green, Chief Mustering Officer, the following-named comrades are detailed to install officers of the Posts indicated:

James H. Webb, Department Commander, 121, 194, 156.

Wilfred A. Wetherbee, Assistant Adjutant-General, 62, 68, 81, 87, 92,
101, 190, 200, 163

Alfred H. Knowles, Past Dept. Commander, 4

Edwin F. Morrill, Past Dept. Commander, 1, 7, 56, 144

Henry Clark, Past Dept. Commander, 5, 26, 58, 139

Benj. A. Ham, Past Dept. Commander, 2

Joshua D. Gray, 73

William E. Carlton, 122

Edwin W. Childs, 204

J. A. Cleveland, 10, 77

George W. Corey, 173

A. W. Fulton, 79

George W. Gay, 195

John F. Hatch, 78

Henry N. Hopkins, 3, 145, 170

E. H. Davenport, 168

Edwin H. Lincoln, 125

James S. Mitchell, 88

Charles H. Poole, 112

O. J. Randlett, 39

Edward B. Savage, 47

John Scates, 31

Samuel J. Wade, 13, 72

Henry Whittemore, 29

James A. Wright, 89

Thomas Crowley, 185

III. Installation service shall be held at the first stated meeting in November, or they may be held publicly at a special meeting held for that purpose, at which no part of the opening or closing service shall be used.

POST COMMANDERS SHOULD AT ONCE COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR INSTALLING OFFICER, giving time and place of meeting.

In the absence of the Mustering Officer, any National or Department Officer can act in any Post, or the Senior Past Post Commander can act in his own Post. Expenses of mustering Officer must be paid by the Post.

With this order is transmitted a blank report of Installing Officer. Adjutants should have this report made out and hand to the Installing Officer.

The Annual Reports will not be due until December. Blanks for this report will be forwarded in due time.

Post Commanders must see that the Credential Report is forwarded to these headquarters immediately.

Important. The attention of Post COMMANDERS and INSTALLING OFFICERS is hereby called to the following abstract from the Rules and Regulations. Those officers will be held responsible for any infringement of this Regulation.

IV. The Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic do not permit the election to office in a Post of any person who is not a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. The National Encampment has provided that the Adjutant and Quartermaster may employ any person not a member of the Grand Army of the Republic to do the clerical work of the Post, but *they do not in any sense thereby become members of the Post. They cannot serve on Post Committees, or have any voice in the business of the Post. They do not thereby become either Adjutant or Quartermaster or acquire any other rights incident to membership.* They must not be installed into office. They may write the reports of such officers but the reports must be signed by the officer himself, or must evidence his official action.

Special Notice. V. It is hereby ordered, when a Post shall be reduced to one member, that member shall place the Charter and Post Records in the custody of the Public Library in the city or town in which the Post is located. He shall take a receipt from the Librarian and forward the same to the Assistant Adjutant-General. The comrade can retain his membership, honors and privileges in the Grand Army by joining the Membership-at-Large, kept at Department Headquarters, making application therefor to the Assistant Adjutant-General and paying One Dollar.

VI. The following named comrades are hereby appointed as aides on the staff of the Department Commander. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

G. H. Averill, 36
W. H. Abbott, 71
John Barry, 5
Charles A. Brown, 88
John E. Bronson, 144
A. A. Burton, 19
Edward W. Childs, 204
Charles Corbin, 15
William E. Carlton, 49
A. Otis Chamberlain, 30
Edward A. Ditmus, 134
William H. Eldridge, 15
James F. Flynn, 26
Joshua S. Gray, 74
Bradford Hawes, 58
Jason B. Hersey, 74
Edward Hague, 46
Henry N. Hopkins, 3
Oscar A. Hilliard, 3
W. C. M. Howe, 194
Oliver P. Judkins, 10
Elwood M. Litchfield, 88
Edwin H. Lincoln, 125
William M. Mick, 62

Edmund F. Merritt, 31
Otis A. Merrill, 195
Albert J. Newell, 60
Albert A. Nickerson, 35
Nahum P. Nickelson, 1
Charles H. Poole, 73
Otis Partridge, 5
Roswell C. Powers, 116
John J. Ryder, 203
Oran J. Randlett, 146
Daniel D. Rose, 9
Oliver Stone, 40
John Spare, 190
Edward B. Savage, 47
D. N. Steingard, 5
F. D. Shattuck, 19
Walter H. Smith, 8
Rufus Turpell, 58
Augustus Upton, 5
William B. Webber, 143
Alexander S. Wright, 5
A. Willard Ward, 16
Albert A. Nickerson, 35

Information Wanted

Of the address of any relative of George W. Hobart, Co. C, 45th Mass. Infantry, and Francis Moore, Co. F, 47th Mass. Infantry, by Wilfred A. Wetherbee, Assistant Adjutant-General, Room 27, State House, Boston.

Per order,

JAMES H. WEBB,
Department Commander.

W. A. WETHERBEE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,
BOSTON, Sept. 25, 1929.

SPECIAL ORDER, }
No. 1. }

It is with sincere regret that the Department Commander announces the death of Assistant Quartermaster-General, Eugene D. Sanborn, who passed away at his home in West Roxbury, Mass., on the morning of September 23.

Comrade Sanborn has held the office of Assistant Quartermaster-General nine years and has endeared himself to all with whom he has been associated.

He will be missed but not forgotten.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

JAMES H. WEBB,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,
BOSTON, Sept. 25, 1929.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 5. }

Past Commander Edwin F. Morrill is hereby appointed Assistant Quartermaster-General of the Department of Massachusetts. He will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Per order,

JAMES H. WEBB,
Department Commander.

W. A. WETHERBEE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

[Please Read Carefully and Act Accordingly.]

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,
BOSTON, Nov. 21, 1929.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 6. }

I. In accordance with Rules and Regulations the *Annual Reports on forms A and B* are due *December 31*.

Blanks for the same are herein enclosed and must be made out and forwarded to Department Headquarters immediately after the close of the last meeting in December. Post Commanders should see that this is done promptly.

No per capita tax is called for. Adjutants must see that the number of comrades now in good standing is reported correctly. *Small Posts of three members or less must make reports promptly and must elect one of their number to act as Commander. All reports must be in the hands of the Assistant Adjutant-General not later than Jan. 5.*

Obituary Blanks are also enclosed. These should be filled out, giving the name, rank, company and regiment of all comrades who have passed into the Great Camping Ground during the year, and forwarded to Department Headquarters at once. The following form should be used. Write plainly.

NAME.	Date of Death.	Rank.	Co.	Regiment or Ship.	Place of Birth.
John W. Smith	Noy. 11, 1924	Private	C	42d Mass. Infantry	Spencer, Mass.
Henry H. White	Feb. 17, 1924	Sergt.	B	1st Mass. Cavalry	Boston, Mass.
Charles T. Brown	March 6, 1924	Corp.	-	1st Mass. Battery	Brighton
Wm. H. Black	April 5, 1924	Seaman	Navy	U.S.S. Roanoke and Ohio	Lynn

II. **Important.** Many of the Posts have not sent in their Credential Reports up to the present time. They should be forwarded at once. Adjutants will please take notice. It is the desire of the Department that the small Post will "stick to the ship" to the last man, but to do this Post Officers must show interest enough to forward their reports to headquarters promptly, regardless of the size of the Post.

Special Notice to Adjutants

Enclosed with this order are the following:

- 2 Annual A and B Report Blanks
- 1 Obituary Blank
- 1 Patriotic Instructor Blank
- 1 Countersign

Check these up. If any are missing notify the Assistant Adjutant-General at once.

Per order,

JAMES H. WEBB,
Department Commander.

W. A. WETHERBEE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

Information Wanted

Wanted, the whereabouts of any of the family of William Crowley, Co. K, 5th Mass. Infantry (9 mos.), by Henry Whittemore, Waltham, Mass.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, STATE HOUSE,
BOSTON, Feb. 24, 1930.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 7.

I. The Sixty-fourth Annual Encampment of the Department of Massachusetts Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Faneuil Hall, Boston, Tuesday, April 8, 1930.

II. John A. Andrew Post 15, Boston, having tendered its services for guard duty at the Encampment, Commander Charles Corbin will detail one comrade for Officer of the Day, one for Officer of the Guard, and four comrades as Guards. They will report in uniform without arms to the Assistant Adjutant-General, in Faneuil Hall, at 9 A.M., Tuesday, April 8th.

III. Department Headquarters will be closed during the sessions of the Encampment. They will be open at 9 o'clock, Thursday morning, April 10th, when all comrades will be welcomed.

IV. Railroad fares. Important.

Commanders of Posts should see that every comrade is fully advised as to the following rule regarding REDUCTION OF FARES:

(a) The railroads have agreed to make a reduction in fares from all points where the railroad fare is 67 cents or more.

(b) From these stations a price of one and one-half fare will be given for the round trip to Boston and return.

(c) Parties desiring to take advantage of this reduction *must apply at the station some days in advance* in order that the agent may have certificate necessary to procure a homeward-bound ticket for half fare.

(d) Immediately on arrival at the Encampment, present your certificate to Assistant Adjutant-General Wetherbee for endorsement.

A special railroad agent will be present on April 8 and 9 from 9 A.M. to 11.30 A.M. to validate the certificate for the return ticket. Validation will be made on those dates and hours only.

(f) After validation you will be entitled, up to and including April 10, to present your ticket to the ticket agent and purchase a return ticket via the same route as the going trip, at one-half the regular fare to the point at which your certificate was issued.

(g) Refund of fares will not be made on account of failure to return certificate mentioned, or for any reason not in accordance with the prescribed conditions under which the arrangement is made. This reduction will be given to members of the Grand Army and its allied organizations only.

V. The Annual Banquet will take place at the close of the Encampment, in Kingsley Hall, Ford Building, about 1.30, April 9. Tickets \$1.50 each and can be obtained of the Assistant Adjutant-General. Good speakers will be present. Don't miss it.

VI. In accordance with the vote of the Department Encampment of 1928, every member in good standing is a member of the Department Encampment and is entitled to vote and take part therein. To gain admittance every member must give the countersign and present the credential card which they will obtain from their Post Commander. No one will be admitted without this credential.

Post commanders will see that all members who intend attending the Encampment ARE PROVIDED WITH THE COUNTERSIGN and the credential, and also admonish them not to leave them at home.

Extra credential cards will be sent upon application to the Adjutant-General.

VII. Aides on the staff of the Department Commander will report in the ante-room on the left side of the stairs on the hall floor, Tuesday morning at 9.30. Uniform without belts.

VIII. The sixty-fourth Annual National Encampment will be held at Cincinnati, Ohio, the week of August 24.

IX. Special information.

The Rules of the Grand Army of the Republic allow only members of the Sons of Union Veterans to attend post meetings.

No one, excepting a comrade of the Grand Army, in good standing, can be elected to any office of the Grand Army.

No one excepting a comrade can be installed into any office.

The titles of all offices must be in the name of a comrade.

If the comrades appointed as Adjutant and Quartermaster are unable to perform the clerical duties of their offices, the Commander may appoint a person not a member of the Grand Army to a position to be designated as Secretary or Clerk.

The duties of Secretary are wholly clerical.

They can have no voice or vote in the meetings of Posts.

They cannot sign reports, checks or orders.

They cannot serve on committees and cannot be installed.

Commanders of Posts will be held responsible for any violation of these orders.

Per order,

JAMES H. WEBB,
Department Commander.

W. A. WETHERBEE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

ROSTER, DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Headquarters, State House, Boston

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS, 1929

JAMES H. WEBB, <i>Commander</i>	Post 88, Quincy.
ALVIN C. HOWES, <i>Senior Vice-Commander</i>	Post 8, Middleborough.
WALDO TURNER, <i>Junior Vice-Commander</i>	Post 58, East Weymouth.
JOHN GILBERT, M.D., <i>Medical Director</i>	Post 46, Fall River.
REV. GEORGE W. NEAD, <i>Chaplain</i>	Post 169, Norwood.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

CHARLES L. ROBINSON	Post 4, Melrose.
LEONARD BOYD	Post 62, Newton.
HENRI BATCHELDER	Post 156, Everett.
FREDERICK H. BISHOP	Post 88, Quincy.
WALTER SWAN	Post 68, Dorchester.

OFFICIAL STAFF

WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, <i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i>	Post 62, Newton.
EUGENE D. SANBORN, <i>Assistant Quartermaster-General</i>	Post 15, Boston.
JOHN A. BRACKETT, <i>Judge-Advocate</i>	Post 146, Lawrence.
JOHN R. SEARS, <i>Inspector</i>	Post 174, Greenfield.
GEORGE W. GREEN, <i>Chief Mustering Officer</i>	Post 200, Jamaica Plain.
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JAMES S. MITCHELL, <i>Chief-of-Staff</i>	Post 121, Hyde Park.
HELEN A. PHINNEY, <i>Headquarters Clerk, Past Dept. President, D. U. V. C. W.</i>	

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

	Post	Year	Location
JOHN D. BILLINGS	186	1884	Cambridge.
W. A. WETHERBEE	62	1894	Newton.
GEORGE A. HOSLEY	11	1912	Charlestown.
ALFRED H. KNOWLES	36	1915	Arlington.
GEORGE W. WILDER	31	1919	Scituate.
HORACE GOODWIN	16	1920	Springfield.
EDWIN F. MORRILL	156	1921	Everett.
HENRY CLARK	36	1922	Arlington.
BENJAMIN A. HAM	2	1924	South Boston.
HENRY N. COMEY	90	1925	Danvers.
HENRY A. MONK	87	1927	So. Braintree.
EDWIN J. FOSTER	10	1928	Worcester.

DECEASED

	Post	Year	Date of Death
AUSTIN S. CUSHMAN	1	1866-67	Jan. 29, 1907
A. B. R. SPRAGUE	10	1868	May 17, 1910
FRANCIS A. OSBORN	15	1869	Mar. 11, 1914
JAMES L. BATES	85	1870	Nov. 11, 1875
WILLIAM COGSWELL	34	1871	May 22, 1895
ADIN B. UNDERWOOD	62	1873	Jan. 14, 1888
JOHN W. KIMBALL	19	1874	July 15, 1910
GEORGE S. MERRILL	39	1875	Feb. 17, 1900
HORACE B. SARGENT	15	1876-78	Jan. 18, 1908
JOHN G. B. ADAMS	5	1879	Oct. 19, 1900
JOHN A. HAWES	1	1880	Mar. 10, 1883

GEORGE W. CREASEY	49	1881	July 3, 1909
GEORGE H. PATCH	63	1882	July 26, 1887
GEORGE S. EVANS	30	1883	April 7, 1903
JOHN W. HERSEY	16	1885	Oct. 25, 1912
RICHARD F. TOBIN	2	1886	Nov. 22, 1893
CHARLES D. NASH	78	1887	Aug. 5, 1910
MYRON P. WALKER	97	1888	Mar. 25, 1911
GEORGE L. GOODALE	66	1889	Jan. 30, 1911
GEORGE H. INNIS	2	1890	Jan. 19, 1907
ARTHUR A. SMITH	20	1891	Mar. 21, 1907
JAMES K. CHURCHILL	10	1892	Dec. 6, 1912
ELI W. HALL	5	1893	Nov. 26, 1920
JOS. W. THAYER	35	1895	July 22, 1905
WILLIAM P. DERBY	16	1896	Feb. 6, 1901
JOHN M. DEANE	46	1897	Sept. 2, 1914
WM. H. BARTLETT	10	1898	July 5, 1901
JOHN E. GILMAN	26	1899	Feb. 20, 1921
PETER D. SMITH	99	1900	Jan. 16, 1911
SILAS A. BARTON	29	1901	May 27, 1911
W. W. BLACKMAR	113	1902	July 16, 1905
DWIGHT O. JUDD	71	1903	Nov. 26, 1906
LUCIUS FIELD	64	1904	Aug. 23, 1910
JAMES H. WOLFF	92	1905	May 3, 1913
J. PAYSON BRADLEY	2	1906	April 19, 1927
DANIEL H. L. GLEASON	63	1907	April 8, 1917
ALFRED S. ROE	10	1908	Jan. 6, 1917
JOHN L. PARKER	5	1909	Feb. 27, 1917
J. WILLARD BROWN	186	1910	Dec. 7, 1910
GRANVILLE C. FISKE	18	1910-11	Aug. 11, 1921
THOMAS J. AMES	53	1913	Feb. 15, 1927
JOHN M. WOODS	139	1914	April 10, 1927
FRANCIS E. MOLE	126	1916	Dec. 29, 1923
DANIEL E. DENNY	10	1917	Nov. 17, 1925
EDWIN P. STANLEY	67	1918	Dec. 27, 1924
GEORGE W. PRATT	72	1923	Aug. 18, 1927
WILLIAM L. GAGE	87	1925	May 12, 1925
WILLIAM F. BROWN	163	1926	April 6, 1927

HONORABLY DISCHARGED FROM THE ORDER

HENRY R. SIBLEY, Post 11, 1872.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SIXTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

Delegate-at-Large

John A. Brackett, Post 146.

Alternate-at-Large

Charles Peel, Post 49.

*Representatives**Post**Alternates**Post*

DISTRICT No. 1

Nahum F. Nickelson	1	Henry N. Hopkins	3
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DISTRICT No. 2

W. H. Smith	8	L. M. Fuller	8
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DISTRICT No. 3

John E. Bronson	144	D. S. Farnham	110
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DISTRICT No. 4

Albert A. Nicholson	35	David King	15
James Flynn	26	Martin Feeney	15

DISTRICT No. 5

James Wright	89	A. Wright	5
W. F. Dodge	5	A. A. Rackliffe	90
Isaac D. Baker	34	J. F. Hatch	73

DISTRICT No. 6

Charles L. Robinson	4	George H. Osborn	62
Henri Batchelder	156	A. J. Brown	163
Francis J. O'Reilly	56	George A. Gay	195

DISTRICT No. 7

A. A. Buxton	19	M. H. Mentzer	10
George W. Corey	168	C. S. Houghton	53

DISTRICT No. 8

A. W. Ward	16	W. H. Abbott	71
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DISTRICT No. 9

John R. Sears	174	Richard O'Hara	174
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ROSTER OF POSTS IN DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
Numerically Arranged with Location, Names of Officers, Time of Meetings, etc.

[Where no address is given it is the same as that of the Post.]

NAME.	No.	Location.	Members Dec. 31, 1928.	Commander.	Date of Charter.	Time of Meeting.
Wm. Logan Rodman	1	New Bedford	13	N. F. Nickelson, 3 Chestnut St., So. Dartmouth	Oct. 4, 1866	Wednesday afternoon.
Dahlgren	2	South Boston	11	Benj. A. Ham, 15 Salcombe St., Dorchester	Feb. 26, 1880	1st Tuesday afternoon.
Wm. H. Bartlett	3	Taunton	23	Oscar A. Hillard, 16 Spring St.	Jan. 2, 1867	1st and 3d Tuesday afternoons.
U. S. Grant	4	Melrose	13	Chas. L. Robinson, G. A. R. Hall	Feb. 19, 1867	1st Saturday afternoon.
General Lander	5	Lynn	67	William F. Dodge, 58 Andrew St., G. A. R. Hall	Feb. 27, 1867	Thursday afternoon.
Charles Russell Lowell	7	Boston	14	John McGrath, 19 Metropolitan Av., Roslindale	Mar. 11, 1867	1st and 3d Tuesday afternoons.
E. W. Pierce	8	Middleborough	15	Alvin C. Howes, So. Main St.	Mar. 13, 1867	Saturday afternoon.
Reno	9	Hudson	7	Daniel D. Rose, 68 Cottage St.	May 27, 1867	1st Saturday afternoon.
George H. Ward	10	Worcester	66	George A. Blunt, 55 Pearl St., G. A. R. Hall	Apr. 13, 1867	Thursday afternoon.
Abraham Lincoln	11	Charlestown	16	J. F. Stoddard, 334 Washington Ave., Chelsea	Apr. 23, 1867	2d and 4th Tuesday afternoons.
Horace M. Warren	12	Wakefield	19	John F. Shea, 50 Pleasant St.	Aug. 16, 1867	1st Saturday afternoon.
Fletcher Webster	13	Hopkinton	29	Andrew C. Gibbs, 40 Cherry St.	July 1, 1867	Friday afternoon.
C. C. Phillips	14	Boston	6	Edwin A. Newton, Woodville	Feb. 28, 1903	1st Monday afternoon.
John A. Andrew	15	Boston	4	John J. Sheehan, 72 Winslow St., Everett	Aug. 6, 1867	2d and 4th Wednesday evenings.
E. K. Wilcox	16	Springfield	40	Edwin S. Witherell, 47 Florence St.	Aug. 9, 1867	2d Saturday afternoon.
General Sedgwick	17	Orange	8	Edward Baker, 30 Burrill Ave.	Aug. 9, 1867	2d Friday afternoon.
Colonel Prescott	18	Ashland	1	Dana Wenzell	Aug. 12, 1867	When called.
Edwin V. Sumner	19	Fitchburg	16	Fredrick D. Shattuck, 89 Day St.	Aug. 16, 1867	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
Frederick Hecker	21	Boston	2	Henry Bornstein, 284 Talbot Ave., Dorchester	Aug. 22, 1881	2d Wednesday afternoon.
Mai. E. F. Fletcher	22	Milford	8	William Callahan, G. A. R. Hall, Milford	Feb. 2, 1867	Wednesday afternoon.
Thos. G. Stevenson	26	Roxbury	21	James F. Flynn, 22 Howland St.	Sept. 30, 1867	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
F. P. H. Rogers	29	Waltham	13	Samuel E. Clark, 333 Crescent St.	Oct. 21, 1867	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
Wm. H. Sparr	30	Cambridge	10	Charles McHugh, 467 Broadway	Oct. 23, 1867	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
George W. Perry	31	Scituate	5	Edmund F. Merritt	July 15, 1875	2d Thursday afternoon.
Burbank	33	Woburn	1	W. C. C. Colgate, 43 Wyman Ave.	Nov. 15, 1867	When called.
Phil. H. Sheridan	34	Salem	35	Milton Coffin, 420 Essex St.	Nov. 15, 1867	1st and 3d Wednesday afternoons.
Theodore Winthrop	35	Chelsea	22	M. A. Purbeck, 16 Crest Ave., Beachmont	Nov. 16, 1867	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
Francis Gould	36	Arlington	10	G. H. Averill, Wollaston Ave., Arlington Heights	Nov. 26, 1881	2d and 4th Thursday afternoons.
F. A. Stearns	37	Spencer	7	Robert E. Gibson, 65 Main St.	Nov. 20, 1867	1st and 3d Thursday afternoons.
Dexter	38	Brookfield	2	Charles F. Mullett	Nov. 27, 1867	1st Tuesday afternoon.
Needham	39	Lawrence	17	James Morgan, 43 Whitman St.	Dec. 1, 1867	1st Saturday afternoon.
Gen. H. G. Berry	40	Malden	19	Roscoe G. Bean, 50 Converse Ave.	Oct. 1, 1873	1st Thursday afternoon.
Lyon	41	Westfield	7	Andrew L. Bush	Jan. 9, 1868	1st Monday.
B. F. Butler	42	Lowell	8	Thomas Crowley, 39 Moore St.	Jan. 15, 1868	1st Wednesday.
John A. Rawlins	43	Marlborough	9	George H. Brigham, 280 E. Main St.	Jan. 15, 1868	2d Tuesday afternoon.
G. Wesley Nichols	44	Southborough	3	Charles S. Parker	May 17, 1878	1st Monday afternoon.
Colonel Allen	45	Gloucester	8	Wm. H. Marston, 29 Orchard St.	Jan. 21, 1868	1st Saturday afternoon.

Richard Borden	46	Fall River	21	John Gilbert, M.D., 254 Locust St.	Jan. 22, 1868	Saturday afternoon.
Major How	47	Haverhill	25	Charles O. Kelly, 16 Court St., G. A. R. Hall	Jan. 28, 1868	Tuesday afternoon.
George L. Boutwell	48	Ayer	25	Hiram Clark, 88 Pleasant St.	Jan. 18, 1868	1st Thursday afternoon.
A. W. Bartlett	49	Newburyport	75	Orlando F. Hatch	Feb. 17, 1868	2d Friday afternoon.
Union	50	Peabody	9	Franklin Larrabee, 32 County St.	Apr. 18, 1879	2d Saturday afternoon.
Ezra Racheller	51	No. Brookfield	2	George W. Bruce	Feb. 28, 1868	1st Thursday afternoon.
A. B. Randall	52	Eastondale	5	Nathaniel W. Slocum, 37 Belmont St., Brockton	Feb. 28, 1868	When called.
Chas. H. Stevens	53	Leominster	14	Frank Bourne, 8 Boutelle St.	June 13, 1868	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
Charles Beck	56	Cambridge	6	Francis J. O'Reilly, 9 Saville St.	June 26, 1868	2d Saturday afternoon.
Reynolds	58	E. Weymouth	21	Francis A. Bicknell, North Weymouth	July 2, 1868	Tuesday afternoon.
Franklin	60	Franklin	5	Albert J. Newell, Grove St.	July 16, 1881	1st and 3d Monday afternoons.
Nathaniel Lyon	61	Webster	9	Elias B. Wakefield, 7 Fifth Ave.	July 21, 1868	2d Thursday afternoon.
Charles Ward	62	Newtonville	28	William M. Mick, Newton Center	July 21, 1868	2d Saturday afternoon.
Gen. Wadsworth	63	Natick	13	George B. Howe, Cohuitate	July 23, 1868	2d Saturday afternoon.
E. D. Baker	64	Clinton	9	Orlando L. Martin, 5 Adams St., Waltham	Aug. 17, 1868	1st Friday afternoon.
S. C. Lawrence	66	Medford	9	Geo. S. Stokell, 22 Bradlee Rd.	Aug. 21, 1868	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
Beni. Stone, Jr.	68	Dorchester	20	Wallace Kenney, 9 Euclid St.	Oct. 8, 1868	1st Saturday afternoon.
George A. Custer	70	Milbury	4	Henry W. Davidson, West Millbury, Box 47	Aug. 3, 1876	1st Saturday afternoon.
Kilpatrick	71	Holyoke	6	William H. Abbott, 145 Allyn St.	Nov. 25, 1868	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
A. St. John Chamber	72	Stoughton	8	James McElroy, 99 Bird St.	Nov. 30, 1868	1st and 3d Tuesday afternoons.
McPherson	73	Abington	8	John F. Hatch, 199 Central St., Rockland	Dec. 23, 1868	1st and 3d Tuesday afternoons.
Hartsuff	74	Rockland	12	Joshua S. Gray	Jan. 11, 1869	Monday afternoon.
J. P. Gould	75	Stoneham	10	Peter H. Horne, 19 Hersam St.	Jan. 15, 1869	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
Theron E. Hall	77	Plymouth	2	George A. Burgess, 6 South St.	Jan. 19, 1869	4th Saturday afternoon.
David A. Russell	78	Holden	14	C. E. Farrar, Box 47	Jan. 30, 1869	1st Friday afternoon.
Chas. D. Sanford	79	Whitman	16	Bela Alden, 70 South Ave.	Mar. 30, 1869	Friday afternoon.
Arthur G. Biscoe	80	North Adams	7	John W. Fairbanks, 45 South St.	June 18, 1881	Tuesday afternoon.
Isaac B. Patten	81	Westborough	19	O. M. Whittier, 239 Franklin St., Wollaston	Dec. 20, 1870	1st Monday.
John Goodwin, Jr.	82	Watertown	5	Albert F. Morris, 19 Franklin St.	Mar. 29, 1869	Saturday afternoon.
J. E. Wilder	83	Marblehead	5	Geo. M. Curtis, North Hancock, Box 6	Apr. 29, 1869	2d Monday.
J. W. Lawton	85	Hanover	5	Albert H. Richardson, Gilbertville	May 12, 1869	Tuesday nearest full moon.
W. L. Baker	86	Ware	5	Wm. R. Bardwell, 122 Pine St., Florence	Aug. 4, 1882	1st Wednesday afternoon.
Gen. S. Thayer	87	Northampton	26	Henry A. Monk, Box 81	June 2, 1869	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
Paul J. Revere	88	Quincy	7	Charles A. Brown, 18 Balhup St., Arlington	June 4, 1869	Saturday afternoon.
H. H. Chipman, Jr.	89	Beverly	19	Wm. H. Morgan, 17 Swan St.	June 5, 1869	2d and 4th Thursday afternoons.
Ward	90	Danvers	15	A. A. Rackliffe, 12 Lawrence St.	June 8, 1869	Thursday afternoon.
Francis Washburn	92	Brighton	9	James A. Sawyer, 106 Sewall Ave., Brookline	Nov. 12, 1873	1st and 3d Thursday afternoons.
Ozro Miller	93	Shelburne Falls	4	George A. Jones	June 15, 1869	Wednesday afternoon.
Gen. E. Hincks	95	Saugus	4	Joseph Newhall, 74 Main St.	June 15, 1869	2d Tuesday afternoon.
Gen. W. F. Bartlett	99	Andover	5	Henry L. Clukey, Soldiers' Home, Chelsea	June 4, 1881	1st Saturday afternoon.
Charles Sumner	101	Groveland	5	George S. Daggett, 350 Main St.	Apr. 16, 1869	When called.
Huntington F. Walcott	102	Milton	6	N. S. Barry, Box 114, Dedham	Apr. 3, 1879	2d Wednesday.
Edwin Humphrey	104	Hingham	5	John H. Stoddard, G. A. R. Hall	July 26, 1869	1st Thursday.
J. Orson Fiske	105	Upton	2	Willard Wood, Hopedale	July 15, 1881	When called.
Errieston	109	East Templeton	12	Charles W. Nichols, Elm St., Baldwinville	Oct. 11, 1869	When called.
Capt. Horace Niles	110	Randolph	13	Hiram S. Faunce, 17 Liberty St.	Oct. 29, 1869	1st and 3d Friday afternoons.
D. Willard Robinson	112	Norwell	4	Alfred B. Litchfield, Assinippi	Nov. 1, 1869	1st Tuesday afternoon.
Edward W. Kinsley	113	Boston	22	George W. States, Norwood	Dec. 18, 1869	3d Saturday.

ROSTER OF POSTS IN DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC — *Concluded*

NAME.	No.	Location.	Members Dec. 31, 1928.	Commander.	Date of Charter.	Time of Meeting.
Col. C. R. Mudge	114	Merrimac	7	B. C. Flanders	Dec. 20, 1869	2d Saturday afternoon.
E. S. Clark	115	Groton	3	Charles H. Berry, Pearl St., Ayer	July 30, 1874	1st Saturday afternoon.
D. G. Farragut	116	Gardner	10	Roswell C. Povers, 32 W. Broadway, S. Gardner	Dec. 30, 1869	Last Saturday afternoon.
Moses Ellis	117	Medford	2	Elery C. Crocker	Dec. 23, 1870	When called.
Gen. James L. Bates	118	Swampscott	4	George Louniard, 15 Essex St.	Jan. 24, 1873	Saturday afternoon.
George G. Meade	119	Lexington	11	William B. Foster, 12 Plainfield St.	May 23, 1873	1st Thursday afternoon.
James A. Garfield	120	Lowell	4	George E. Clagston, 11 Tenth St.	Oct. 26, 1881	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
Timothy Ingraham	121	Hyde Park	14	Richard F. Boynton, 9 Oak St.	Mar. 23, 1870	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
E. P. Wallace	122	Amesbury	5	George W. Marden, 9 Cushing St.	Mar. 23, 1870	1st Saturday afternoon.
Parker	123	Athol	7	Lyman B. Hastings, 147 Central St.	June 12, 1870	4th Saturday afternoon.
W. W. Rockwell	125	Pittsfield	15	Farnum E. Sawin, 63 Dawes Ave.	Mar. 10, 1882	1st Monday afternoon.
Gen. J. Appleton	128	Ipswich	4	Albert N. Nichols, Box 73	Jan. 17, 1882	Saturday afternoon.
James H. Sargent	130	W. Medway	7	Elmer L. Videtto	Mar. 18, 1882	Thursday afternoon.
Charles Chipman	132	Sandwich	2	J. Frank Giles	Feb. 24, 1882	When called.
Robert A. Bell	134	Boston	8	Edw. A. Ditmus, 30 Winsor St., Roxbury	June 29, 1870	1st Thursday afternoon.
Isaac Davis	138	West Acton	9	George L. Towne	May 2, 1882	Monday afternoon.
Willard C. Kinsley	139	Somerville	18	Geo. M. Houghton, Soldiers' Home, Chelsea	Aug. 18, 1870	2d Wednesday afternoon.
H. V. Smith	140	Athol	8	A. L. Jilison, 383 Main St.	Feb. 22, 1881	1st Saturday afternoon.
C. L. Chandler	143	Brookline	4	W. M. B. Webber, 311 Newton St., Brookline	Jan. 24, 1871	1st Tuesday, 2d Wednesday.
Chas. W. Carroll	144	Dedham	5	J. E. Bronson, Sanderson Ave., E. Dedham	May 22, 1871	1st Saturday afternoon.
Wm. A. Streeter	145	Attleboro	17	John W. Bean	June 6, 1871	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
Gen. Lawton	146	Lawrence	10	John A. Brackett, 48 Abbott St.	Apr. 10, 1874	2d and 4th Wednesday afternoons.
Major Boyd	151	West Newbury	2	John A. Bradley	Jan. 22, 1883	When called.
O. H. P. Sargent	152	Essex	2	Albert Andrews, South Essex	Mar. 6, 1883	When called.
Gilman C. Parker	153	Winchendon	6	Henry F. Partridge, 25 Maynard St.	June 14, 1883	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
James A. Perkins	156	Everett	3	Edwin F. Morrill, 56 Willett St., Wollaston	Sept. 18, 1883	1st Monday afternoon.
Alan Hamilton	160	Woburn	5	Edwin Wilbur	Jan. 23, 1884	3d Saturday afternoon.
Woburn	161	Woburn	10	A. B. Wyman, 605 Main St.	Mar. 25, 1884	1st Saturday afternoon.
Gen. J. G. Foster	163	Framingham	3	Albert J. Brown, 282 Franklin St.	Apr. 29, 1884	Wednesday afternoon.
F. A. Clary	164	Conway	3	George A. Hassell	June 27, 1884	1st Friday.
Wm. Wadsworth	165	Duxbury	5	James K. Burgess, R. F. D.	June 27, 1884	2d and 4th Saturday afternoons.
M. Amundtson	168	Southbridge	5	Geo. W. Corey	July 21, 1884	3d Saturday afternoon.
George R. Bird	169	Norwood	9	Rev. George W. Nead, 10 Beacon Ave.	July 31, 1884	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
John Rogers	170	Mansfield	7	Alfred A. Bridges	Aug. 26, 1884	1st and 3d Tuesday afternoons.
J. Arthur Johnson	173	Sturbridge	12	E. H. Davenport, East Brimfield	Aug. 26, 1884	1st Saturday afternoon.
Edwin E. Day	174	Greenfield	3	John R. Sears, 26 Beech St.	Oct. 9, 1884	When called.
Gen. H. C. Lee	176	Huntington	5	H. F. Stanton	Dec. 11, 1884	1st Saturday afternoon.
Samuel F. Woods	179	Barre	2	T. Hanson White	Oct. 16, 1885	2d Saturday afternoon.
C. M. Wheaton	182	Somerset	2	Frederic R. Dudley	Dec. 16, 1885	1st Saturday afternoon.

Ladd and Whitney	.	.	.	.	.	Lowell	.	Albert I. Gilman, 20 East Pine St.	.	Apr. 14, 1886	1st and 3d Wednesday afternoons.
Preston	.	.	.	.	.	Beverly Farms	.	Benjamin F. Osborn	.	Apr. 28, 1887	Wednesday afternoon.
David Church	.	.	.	.	.	Marshfield Hills	.	Isaiah A. Ewell, Marshfield	.	Sept. 15, 1887	When called.
R. A. Pierce	.	.	.	.	.	New Bedford	.	Geo. N. Alden, 17 Arnold Pl.	.	May 28, 1887	Saturday afternoon.
Gettysburg	.	.	.	.	.	Boston	.	Wm. J. Hargraves, 23 Loretta St., W. Roxbury	.	May 11, 1888	2d Friday afternoon.
P. M. Whiting	.	.	.	.	.	No. Attleborough	.	Stephen Stanley, Attleborough Falls	.	July 26, 1888	2d Friday afternoon.
C. M. Packard	.	.	.	.	.	Avon	.	Ira McLaughlin, Page St.	.	Sept. 25, 1888	1st Tuesday afternoon.
Veteran	.	.	.	.	.	Reading	.	Walter S. Parker, 59 Walnut St.	.	Mar. 7, 1889	1st Saturday afternoon.
Thos. A. Parker	.	.	.	.	.	E. Pepperell	.	Otis A. Merrill, R. F. D.	.	Mar. 20, 1889	When called.
Wm. B. Eaton	.	.	.	.	.	Revere	.	Lewis L. Bullard, 52 Crescent Circuit, Brighton	.	Jan. 10, 1890	1st and 3d Fridays.
Boston	.	.	.	.	.	Jamaica Plain	.	Geo. W. Green, 4 Lester Pl.	.	June 5, 1890	1st Monday afternoon.
E. B. Nye	.	.	.	.	.	Bourne	.	John J. Ryder, Buzzards Bay	.	Aug. 1, 1890	1st and 3d Saturday afternoons.
Theo. Parkman	.	.	.	.	.	Centerville	.	Edward W. Childs	.	Oct. 15, 1890	When called.
Thos. Gardner	.	.	.	.	.	Nantucket	.	Josiah F. Murphy, Box 493	.	Aug. 28, 1891	When called.
E. P. Hopkins	.	.	.	.	.	Williamstown	.	Rev. W. R. Stocking	.	Dec. 10, 1891	When called.

Number of members in good standing Dec. 31, 1927, 1,809. Number of members in good standing Dec. 31, 1928, 1,474.

NATIONAL OFFICERS, 1928-1929

JOHN REESE, <i>Commander-in-Chief</i>	Broken Bow, Neb.
JAMES E. JEWELL, <i>Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief</i>	Fort Morgan, Colo.
HENRY J. KEARNEY, <i>Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief</i>	New York City.
S. W. HOPKINS, <i>Surgeon-General</i>	Lodi, Cal.
Rev. J. KING GIBSON, <i>Chaplain-in-Chief</i>	Dayton, Ohio.

National Council of Administration

HENRY CLARK	Cambridge, Mass.
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STAFF OF COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

WILLIAM A. HAGADORN, <i>Adjutant-General</i>	Broken Bow, Neb.
COLA D. R. STOWITS, <i>Quartermaster-General</i>	Buffalo, N. Y.
JAMES W. WILLETT, <i>Judge Advocate-General</i>	Tama, Iowa.
CHARLES W. BLODGETT, <i>National Patriotic Instructor</i>	Cincinnati, Ohio.
W. C. CALLAND, <i>Inspector-General</i>	Springfield, Mo.
O. C. BELL, <i>Assistant Adjutant-General</i>	Lincoln, Neb.
SAMUEL P. TOWN, <i>Asst. Qm.-General and Custodian</i>	Philadelphia, Pa.
GEORGE A. HOSLEY, <i>Chief-of-Staff</i>	Somerville, Mass.

PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS FROM MASSACHUSETTS

Commanders-in-Chief

CHARLES DEVENS, 1873-74. Post 10, Worcester. Died Jan. 7, 1891.
GEORGE S. MERRILL, 1881. Post 39, Lawrence. Died Feb. 17, 1900.
JOHN G. B. ADAMS, 1894. Post 5, Lynn. Died Oct. 19, 1900.
WILMON W. BLACKMAR, 1905. Post 113, Boston. Died July 6, 1905.
JOHN E. GILMAN, 1910. Post 26, Roxbury. Died Feb. 20, 1921.

Senior Vice-Commanders-in-Chief

RICHARD F. TOBIN, 1890. Post 2, South Boston. Died Nov. 22, 1890.
GEORGE H. INNIS, 1891. Post 2, South Boston. Elected to fill vacancy caused by decease of Comrade Richard F. Tobin. Died, Jan. 19, 1907.
WILLIAM M. OLIN, 1902. Post 26, Roxbury. Died April 15, 1911.
GEORGE A. HOSLEY, 1921. Post 11, Boston.
WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, 1924. Post 62, Newton.

Junior Vice-Commanders-in-Chief

HERBERT E. HILL, 1878. Post 139, Somerville. Died April 8, 1892.
E. B. STILLINGS, 1905. Post 113, Boston. Died Dec. 30, 1917.

Chaplains-in-Chief

ALONZO H. QUINT, 1868-69. Post 1, New Bedford. Died Nov. 4, 1896.
JOSEPH F. LOVERING, 1876-81. Post 81, Watertown. Died March 4, 1915.
MARK B. TAYLOR, 1896. Post 94, Canton. Died Dec. 3, 1919.
GEORGE E. LOVEJOY, 1912. Post 146, Lawrence. Died Dec. 25, 1916.
PHILIP A. NORDELL, D.D., 1918. Post 143, Brookline. Died March 10, 1930.

Adjutants-General

CORNELIUS G. ATWOOD, 1873. Post 113, Boston. Died Jan. 19, 1888.
HENRY R. SIBLEY, 1873. Post 11, Boston.
WILLIAM M. OLIN, 1881. Post 26, Roxbury. Died April 15, 1911.
JAMES F. MEECH, 1894. Post 10, Worcester. Died April 30, 1895.
JOHN E. GILMAN, 1904. Post 26, Roxbury. Died Feb. 20, 1921.
E. B. STILLINGS, 1910. Post 113, Boston. Died Dec. 30, 1917.

Quartermasters-General

CORNELIUS G. ATWOOD, 1871-72. Post 113, Boston. Died Jan. 19, 1888.
A. B. R. SPRAGUE, 1873-74. Post 10, Worcester. Died May 17, 1910.

Inspectors-General

GEORGE S. EVANS, 1888. Post 30, Cambridge. Died April 7, 1903.
GEORGE L. GOODALE, 1892. Post 66, Medford. Died Jan. 30, 1911.
WILLIAM M. OLIN, 1895. Post 26, Roxbury. Died April 15, 1911.
WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, 1901. Post 62, Newton.
J. PAYSON BRADLEY, 1912. Post 2, South Boston. Died April 19, 1927.

Judge-Advocates-General

WILLIAM COGSWELL, 1878-79. Post 34, Salem. Died May 22, 1895.
ALBERT CLARK, 1896. Post 191, Boston. Died, 1911.
JAMES H. WOLFF, 1900. Post 92, Brighton. Died May 3, 1913.

Surgeons-General

SAMUEL A. GREENE, 1871-72. Post 15, Boston. Died, 1918.
JOHN W. FOYE, 1875. Post 15, Boston. Died, 1885.
AZEL AMES, Jr., 1882-83. Post 12, Wakefield. Died, 1908.
WILLIAM H. BAKER, 1899-1900. Post 5, Lynn.

Patriotic Instructor

JOHN B. LEWIS, 1909 and 1911. Post 113, Boston. Died Nov. 14, 1923.

Chiefs-of-Staff

SILAS A. BARTON, 1894. Post 29, Waltham. Died May 27, 1914.
J. PAYSON BRADLEY, 1911. Post 2, Boston. Died April 19, 1927.
GEORGE A. HOSLEY, 1915-1927. Post 11, Boston.

ROSTER OF PAST DEPARTMENT AND PAST VICE-DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

	COMMANDERS.	Post.	S. V.-COMMANDERS.	Post.	J. V.-COMMANDERS.	Post.
1866	*Austin S. Cushman, Prov. Com.	1				
1867	*Austin S. Cushman	1	*Arthur A. Goodell	10	*B. A. Bridges	6
1868	*A. B. R. Sprague	10	*Geo. H. Pierson	34	*M. W. Burt	3
1869	*Francis A. Osborn	15	*Josiah Pickett	10	*H. C. Lee	16
1870	*James L. Bates	58	*H. M. Phillips	16	*W. O. Fiske	42
1871	*Wm. Cogswell	34	*Wm. Spaulding	11	*S. E. Chamberlain	30
1872	†H. R. Sibley	11	*W. S. B. Hopkins	120	*Gardner A. Churchill	68
1873	*A. B. Underwood	62	*John W. Kimball	19	*Lemuel Pope	135
1874	*John W. Kimball	19	*C. H. Taylor	139	*John S. Fav	43
1875	*Geo. S. Merrill	39	*C. Frank Luther	79	*J. P. Maxfield	42
1876	*Horace Binney Sargent	15	*J. L. Skinner	36	*Herbert E. Hill	139
1877	*Horace Binney Sargent	15	*Geo. S. Evans	30	*Geo. H. Patch	142
1878	*Horace Binney Sargent	15	*John G. B. Adams	5	*John A. Hawes	1
1879	*John G. B. Adams	5	*John A. Hawes	1	*S. B. Spooner	16
1880	*John A. Hawes	1	*T. H. Hill	33	*Benj. S. Lovell	58
1881	*Geo. W. Creasey	49	*Ben. S. Lovell	58	*R. B. Wight	63
1882	*Geo. H. Patch	142	*Wm. H. Hart	35	*John D. Billings	94
1883	*Geo. S. Evans	30	*John D. Billings	94	*W. A. Sloane	37
1884	*John D. Billings	94	*John W. Hersey	16	*Richard F. Tobin	7
1885	*John W. Hersey	16	*Richard F. Tobin	2	*C. D. Nash	28
1886	*Richard F. Tobin	2	*Chas. D. Nash	78	*E. C. Whitney	68
1887	*Chas. D. Nash	78	*E. C. Whitney	68	*James Kittle	125
1888	*Myron P. Walker	97	*Geo. L. Goodale	66	*Geo. H. Innis	2
1889	*Geo. L. Goodale	66	*Geo. H. Innis	2	*Arthur A. Smith	20
1890	*Geo. H. Innis	2	*Arthur A. Smith	20	*James K. Churchill	10
1891	*Arthur A. Smith	20	*James K. Churchill	10	*Eli W. Hall	5
1892	*James K. Churchill	10	*Eli W. Hall	5	*Wilfred A. Wetherbee	62
1893	*Eli W. Hall	5	*Wilfred A. Wetherbee	62	*Joseph W. Thayer	35
1894	*Wilfred A. Wetherbee	62	*Joseph W. Thayer	35	*Wm. P. Derby	16
1895	*Joseph W. Thayer	35	*Wm. P. Derby	16	*John M. Deane	46
1896	*Wm. P. Derby	16	*John M. Deane	46	*John E. Gilman	26
1897	*John M. Deane	46	*John E. Gilman	26	*Peter D. Smith	99
1898	*William H. Bartlett	10	*Joseph F. Bartlett	162	*George M. Fiske	62
1899	*John E. Gilman	26	*Peter D. Smith	99	*Silas A. Barton	29
1900	*Peter D. Smith	99	*Silas A. Barton	26	*W. W. Blackmar	113
1901	*Silas A. Barton	29	*W. W. Blackmar	113	*Dwight O. Judd	71
1902	*W. W. Blackmar	113	*Dwight O. Judd	71	*Lucius Field	64
1903	*Dwight O. Judd	71	*Lucius Field	64	*James H. Wolff	92
1904	*Lucius Field	64	*James H. Wolff	92	*J. Payson Bradley	2
1905	*James H. Wolff	92	*J. Payson Bradley	2	*D. H. L. Gleason	63
1906	*J. Payson Bradley	2	*D. H. L. Gleason	63	*Alfred S. Roe	10
1907	*D. H. L. Gleason	63	*Alfred S. Roe	10	*John L. Parker	5
1908	*Alfred S. Roe	10	*John L. Parker	5	*J. Willard Brown	186
1909	*John L. Parker	5	*J. Willard Brown	186	*Granville C. Fiske	18
1910	*J. Willard Brown	186	*Granville C. Fiske	18	*George A. Hosley	11
1911	*Granville C. Fiske	18	*George A. Hosley	11	*Isaac C. Day	101
1912	*George A. Hosley	11	*Isaac C. Day	101	*Thomas J. Ames	53
1913	*Thomas J. Ames	53	*Edward O. Skelton	191	*John M. Woods	139
1914	*John M. Woods	139	*Alfred H. Knowles	36	*Francis E. Mole	126
1915	*Alfred H. Knowles	36	*Francis E. Mole	126	*Daniel E. Denny	10
1916	*Francis E. Mole	126	*Daniel E. Denny	10	*Edwin P. Stanley	67
1917	*Daniel E. Denny	10	*Edwin P. Stanley	67	*Geo. W. Wilder	15
1918	*Edwin P. Stanley	67	*Geo. W. Wilder	15	*Horace Goodwin	16
1919	*Geo. W. Wilder	15	*Horace Goodwin	16	*Edwin F. Morrill	156
1920	*Horace Goodwin	16	*Edwin F. Morrill	156	*Henry Clark	36
1921	*Edwin F. Morrill	156	*Henry Clark	36	*George W. Pratt	72
1922	*Henry Clark	36	*George W. Pratt	72	*Benjamin A. Ham	2
1923	*George W. Pratt	72	*Benjamin A. Ham	2	*William L. Gage	87
1924	*Benjamin A. Ham	2	*William L. Gage	87	*Henry N. Comey	90
1925	*William L. Gage	87	*William F. Brown	163	*Henry A. Monk	87
1926	*Henry N. Comey	90	*Henry A. Monk	87	*Edwin J. Foster	10
1927	*William F. Brown	163	*Edwin J. Foster	10	*James H. Webb	88
1928	*Henry A. Monk	87	*James H. Webb	88	*Alvin C. Howes	8
1929	*Edwin J. Foster	10	*Alvin C. Howes	8	*Waldo Turner	58

* Deceased.

† Honorably discharged.

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